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### Jan. 1 Point Reyes, Marin Co., California

Area: Limantour Estero - scanned estero from parking lot and looked at the 2 ponds E. of the parking lot briefly; also scanned ocean from beach

Time: 0800-1000 Observers: Linda Hale, Steve Larson, Cammie Edgington

Wind: S-10 E Sky: low overcast Temp: 50-55

<u>Species</u> : Common Loon	2	Willet	25
Red-throated Loon	1	Greater Yellowlegs	1
Red-necked Grebe	1	Long-billed Curlew	1
Horned Grebe	2	Dunlin	200+
West. Grebe	5	Western Sandpiper	200+
Pied-billed Grebe	1	Least sandpiper	25+
N. Fulmar	2	Sanderling	25
White Pelican	15	Glaucous-winged Gull	2
Brandt's Cormorant	2	Western Gull	25
Pelagic Cormorant	1	Calif Gull	10
Snowy Egret	1	Ring-billed Gull	25
Emperor Goose	3	Mew Gull	10
Mallard	10	<del>Forster's Tern</del> Com. Flicker	1
Gadwall	50	Black Phoebe	1
N. Pintail	200	Com. Raven	2
Green-winged Teal	2	Wren	2
Cinnamon Teal	1	Long-billed Marsh Wren	3
Am. Wigeon	150	Am. Robin	2
N. Shoveler	10	Hermit Thrush	2
Canvasback	3	Ruby-crowned Kinglet	1
Lesser Scaup	3	Yellow-rumped Warbler	2
Com. Goldeneye	1	Com. Yellowthroat	1
Bufflehead	10	Brewer's Blackbird	2
White-winged Scoter	10	House Finch	50
Surf Scoter	100	Rufous-sided Towhee	1
Ruddy Duck	10	Song Sparrow	2
Red-breasted Merganser	3	Water Pipit	5
<u>Rough-legged Hawk</u>	1	White-tailed Kite	1
N. Harrier	1		
Am. Kestrel	1		
Am. Coot	25		
Semipalmated Plover	1		
Black-bellied Plover	5		
Black Turnstone	10		

### Jan. 2 Lake Merritt, Alameda Co., Calif.

Area: E end Time: 1130-1230 Observers: Linda Hale, Steve Larson, Cammie Edgington

<u>Species</u> : Horned Grebe	1	scaup (sp)	200
Eared Grebe	5	Com. Goldeneye	75
Pied-billed Grebe	2	Barrow's Goldeneye	15
Double-crested Cormorant	15	Bufflehead	20
Great Egret	2	Surf Scoter	10
Snowy Egret	1	Ruddy Duck	500
Mallard	10	Glaucous-winged Gull	2
Canvasback	150+	Glaucous-winged X Western Gull	1
Tufted Duck	10	Western Gull	5
Greater Scaup	25	Ring-billed Gull	15
Lesser Scaup	100	Bonaparte's Gull	2



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Lake Merritt [cont]

Jan. 2

Forster's Tern	1	Scrub Jay	1
Annals Hummingbird	1	Am. Coot	100

Jan. 3

Golden Gate Park, San Francisco Co., Calif.

Area: Elm Glen Lake; Stowe Lake (briefly) Time: 1000 - 1045  
Observers: Steve Larson, Cammie Edgington Sky: overcast Wind: 0 Temp: 60  
Species:

Pied-billed Grebe	4	Rock Dove	50
Mallard	10	Annals Hummingbird	1
Green-winged Teal	1	Downy Woodpecker	3
Am. Wigeon	15	Chestnut-backed Chickadee	8
European Wigeon	1♂	Pygmy Nuthatch	5
Wood Duck	17	Varied Thrush	1
Ring-necked Duck	1	Ruby-crowned Kinglet	2
Lesser Scaup	2	Yellow-rumped Warbler	2
Ruddy Duck	1	Am. Coot	50
Western Gull	5	Brewer's Blackbird	50
Ring-billed Gull	10	Pine Siskin	1
Mew Gull	30	White-crowned Sparrow	1

Pacific Marina, Alameda, Alameda Co., Calif

Area: looked at harbor area from Marina parking lot on shore of  
Oakland "estuary" Observers: same Time: 1115 - 1130  
Species:

Common Loon	1	Com. Goldeneye	5
Western Grebe	40	Barrow's Goldeneye	4♂
Horned Grebe	1	Am. Coot	15
Double-crested Cormorant	1	House Finch	5
Great Egret	1	Killdeer	2
scaup (sp)	100		

Jan. 5

Monterey area, Monterey Co., Calif.

Area: Monterey Harbor from Municipal Pier; Pt. Pinos - crespi Pond to the  
point and south along coast to Asilomar Beach; Otter Point; Greenwood Park  
Time: 0745 - 1145 Observers: Linda Hale, Steve Larson, Cammie Edgington  
Sky: overcast; some showers Wind: 10-25 S Temp: 55  
Species:

Common Loon	3	Black Turnstone	150
Arctic Loon	100	Whimbrel	3
Red-throated Loon	2	Willet	25
Red-necked Grebe	1	Ruff	1♂
Horned Grebe	10	Wandering Tattler	3
Western Grebe	20	Com. Snipe	2
N. Fulmar	100	Red Phalarope	400
Manx Shearwater	2	Pomarine Jaeger	4
Brown Pelican	15	Glaucous-winged Gull	10
Brandt's Cormorant	50	Western Gull	150
Pelagic Cormorant	100	Calif. Gull	75
Black Brant	2	Mew Gull	200
Cinnamon Teal	2	Bonaparte's Gull	1
Surf Scoter	30	Heermann's Gull	500
White-winged Scoter	1	Black-legged Kittiwake	7
Ruddy Duck	4	Com. Murre	50
Red-breasted Merganser	4	Rhinoceros Auklet	300
Am. Coot	50	Cassin's Auklet	6
Black-bellied Plover	5	Rock Dove	25
Surfbird	20	Annals Hummingbird	1
Ruddy Turnstone	5	Com. Crow	2



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### Monterey area [cont]

Jan. 5

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Chestnut-backed Chickadee	2	Audubon's Warbler	6
Bushtit	5	Brewer's Blackbird	50
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	1	Am. Goldfinch	1
Water Pipit	3	Oregon Junco	2
Eur. Starling	150	White-crowned Sparrow	2
Hutton's Vireo	1	Song Sparrow (1 morphing)	2
Tennessee Warbler	1		
Orange-crowned Warbler	1		

### Moss Landing, Monterey Co. Calif.

Area: artichoke fields along Molera Rd; Moss Landing harbor from Marine Lab area;  
Jetty Rd. area; Zmudovski St. Beach pond. Time: 1300-1515

Observers: same Wind: S-15 S SKY: heavy rain Temp: 55 Tide: very low

<u>Species</u> : Red-throated Loon	1	Least Sandpiper	20
Horned Grebe	30	Marbled Godwit	30
Western Grebe	100	Sanderling	20
Brown Pelican	30	Am. Avocet	5
Double-crested Cormorant	5	Black-necked Stilt	25
Great Blue Heron	2	Glaucous-winged Gull	1
Snowy Egret	1	Western Gull	50
Mallard	3	Herring Gull	10
N. Pintail	1	Thayer's Gull	1
N. Shoveler	2	Calif. Gull	50
sculp (sp)	75	Ring-billed Gull	10
Com. Goldeneye	10	Bonaparte's Gull	1
Surf Scoter	20	Heermann's Gull	30
Ruddy Duck	100	W. Meadowlark	5
Red-breasted Merganser	1	Yellow-headed Blackbird	18
White-tailed Kite	4	Red-winged Blackbird	25+
Red-tailed Hawk	3	Tricolored Blackbird	1+
Am. Coot	100	Brewer's Blackbird	200+
Killdeer	10	blackbird (sp)	200
Black-bellied Plover	5		
Black Turnstone	1		
Long-billed Curlew	1		
Willet	100		
Greater Yellowlegs	1		
Long-billed Dowitcher	2		

Jan. 14

### Monterey Bay boat trip, Monterey Co., Calif.

Area: Due to high seas, we spent only a limited amount of time > 1 mile offshore and most of this was just NW of Pt. Pinos. Time: 0930-1130  
[rest of the time inshore Pacific Grove]. Observers: Linda Hale, Mike and John Parmeter, Laurence Binford, Ron Branson, Bruce Broadbooks, Debi Robinson, Bill Reese, Wind: 15-25 SW SKY: overcast, mostly raining, Temp: 55-60  
drizzle to some hard squalls. Seas: Some large swells, very choppy gale warning

<u>Species</u> : Arctic Loon	40	Brandt's Cormorant	25
Red-throated Loon	2	Red Phalarope	50
Northern Fulmar	3	Pomarine Jaeger	10
Pink-footed Shearwater	3	Glaucous-winged Gull	2
Manx Shearwater	6+	Western Gull	100
[Ashy Storm-Petrel - 1 - ME, LCB et al]		Herring Gull	2
Brown Pelican	5	Heermann's Gull	200



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Monterey Bay boat trip [cont]

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Black-legged Kittiwake	10
Com. Murre	50
Rhinoceros Auklet	400
Xantus' Murrelet	2
Cassin's Auklet	25

+ inshore Monterey (from boat and land): Red-necked Grebe 5,  
Black Brant 2, Harlequin Duck 1♂, Black Scoter 1♂, Pigeon Guillemot  
N. Fulmar 5, Double-crested Cormorant 1 imm

+ Castroville area: Roseate Spoonbill 1, Rough-legged Hawk 7

Jan. 19

Three Rivers, Tulare Co., Calif.

Area: vicinity of the third house on south side of Heidi Rd off  
South Fork Rd where a ♀ Blue-throated Hummingbird has been  
visiting a feeder since Christmas. Time: 1000-1100

Observers: Linda Hale, Mike Wihler, Keith Hansen, Frank Baldridge,  
Guy McCaskie, Phil Unitt, Elizabeth Copper

<u>Species</u> : Red-tailed Hawk	1	House Sparrow	20
Golden Eagle	2 ad.	House Finch	5
Annals Hummingbird	3	Pine Siskin	2
<u>Blue-throated Hummingbird</u>	1♀	Lesser Goldfinch	2
Red-shafted Flicker	1	Rufous-sided Towhee	2
Red-naped Sapsucker	1	Brown Towhee	2
Acorn Woodpecker	4	Oregon Junco	5
Nuttall's Woodpecker	2	Fox Sparrow	1
Black Phoebe	1		
Scrub Jay	2		
Plain Titmouse	2		
White-breasted Nuthatch	2		
Varied Thrush	2		
Hermit Thrush	1		
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	1		

+ Bravo Lake, Tulare Co.: Bald Eagle 1 ad.

Jan. 21

Marin-Sonoma Co. area

Red-necked Grebe (1) - Bodega Bay  
Black Scoter (1♀) - "  
Common Merganser (1♂) - nr. Bodega  
Hooded Merganser (1♂, 3♀♀) - Five Brothers Stables  
Rock Sandpiper (2) - Bodega Head  
Mottled Murrelet (3) - "  
Hermit Warbler (2♂♂) - St. Reyes Hdqts.

Jan. 22

Alameda South Shore, Alameda Co., Calif.

Area: looked at mudflat from foot of St. Time: 1215-1430

Tide: Outgoing from high towards low Wind: S W Sky: clear, sunny

Temp: 55 Observers: Linda Hale, Bob Andrews, Barry Knapp, Mark Holmgren

<u>Species</u> : Red-throated Loon	2	Great Egret	1
Western Grebe	2	Snowy Egret	15
Double-crested Cormorant	5	N. Pintail	10



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## Alameda South Shore [cont]

Jan. 22

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Green-winged Teal	2	Dunlin	1000
Am. Wigeon	5	Western Sandpiper	3000
Canvasback	8	Sanderling	50
Lesser Scaup	15	Am. Avocet	100
Surf Scoter	10	Glaucous-winged Gull	10
Ruddy Duck	10	Western Gull	10
Turkey Vulture	1	Calif. Gull	5
Am. Coot	50	Ring-billed Gull	25
Snowy Plover	1	Mew Gull	10
Killdeer	2	Forster's Tern	25
Semipalmated Plover	15	Rock Dove	8
Black-bellied Plover	200	Mourning Dove	3
Ruddy Turnstone	5	Water Pipit	1
Long-billed Curlew	2	Eur. Starling	5
Marbled Godwit	500	House Sparrow	2
Willet	300	Red-winged Blackbird	16
Greater Yellowlegs	1	House Finch	1
Red Knot	15	Savannah Sparrow	1

## Jan. 26 Golden Gate Park, San Francisco Co., Calif.

Area: [part of winter bird count within GGP boundaries]: Spreckell's Lake - Buffalo Paddock area - between 30 and 36th, and Kennedy Dr and Fulton.

Observers: Linda Hale Time: 0700-1300 Wind: 0-5 E Temp: 42-50 Sky: clear

<u>Species</u> : Eared Grebe	1	Am. Robin	128
Western Grebe	1	Varied Thrush	19
Pied-billed Grebe	1	Hermit Thrush	2
Mallard	25	Golden-crowned Kinglet	10
Am. Wigeon	189	Ruby-crowned Kinglet	17
N. Shoveler	1	Cedar Waxwing	65
Canvasback	21	Eur. Starling	12
Greater Scaup	7	Myrtle Warbler	29
Lesser Scaup	27	Audubon's Warbler	18
Ruddy Duck	23	House Sparrow	10
Red-tailed Hawk	2	Red-winged Blackbird	4498
Am. Coot	294	Boewals Blackbird	287
Glaucous-winged Gull	4	Brown-headed Cowbird	2
Western Gull	71	Purple Finch	1
Calif. Gull	68	House Finch	22
Mew Gull	46	Pine Siskin	44
Rock Dove	150	Red Crossbill	1
Band-tailed Pigeon	11	Brown Towhee	3
Mourning Dove	19	Oregon Junco	55
Annals Hummingbird	8	White-crowned Sparrow	36
Com. Flicker	3	Golden-crowned Sparrow	13
Red-breasted Sapsucker	1	Fox Sparrow	5
Downy Woodpecker	4	Song Sparrow	6
Black Phoebe	3		
Chestnut-backed Chickadee	14		
Bushtit	5		
White-breasted Nuthatch	1		
Red-breasted Nuthatch	3		
Pygmy Nuthatch	32		
Brown Creeper	7		
Winter Wren	4		



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Feb. 8

Point Reyes, Marin Co., California

Area: [part of Marin-Sonoma Co. Snowy Plover/Sanderling survey for J.P. Myers and Gary Page]: Limantour Estero looked at E. end of estero from parking lot and walked E. along beach to count Sanderlings to ~ 1/2 mi. E of p.l.

Time: 1015-1300 Tide: very high - no exposed mud at all on estero and islands almost completely underwater. Wind: 20-40 S

Sky: overcast Temp: 55-60? Ocean: extremely rough, swimming birds invis.

Species: loon (sp)	1	gull (sp)	75
Pared Grebe	2	Forster's Tern	2
Brown Pelican	1	Com. Flicker	1
Double-crested Cormorant	2	Black Phoebe	1
Gadwall	75	Wren	1
N. Pintail	40	Long-billed Marsh Wren	1
Am. Wigeon	150	Ruby-crowned Kinglet	1
N. Shoveler	1	Yellow-rumped Warbler	4
Canvasback	15	Water Pipit	1
Tufted Duck	1 im. ♂	House Finch	2
Com. Goldeneye	1	Song Sparrow	1
Bufflehead	15		
Lesser Scaup	3		
White-winged Scoter	15	Com. Murre	1 -
Surf Scoter	20	washed up on beach -	
Ruddy Duck	25	sick - breast partly oiled.	
Red-breasted Merganser	3		
Turkey Vulture	1		
White-tailed Kite	1		
Am. Coot	20		
Black Turnstone	15		
Marbled Godwit	25		
Willet	150		
Dunlin	15		
Western Sandpiper	3		
Least Sandpiper	130		
Sanderling	80		

Feb. 12

Monterey Bay boat trip, Monterey Co., Calif.

Area 1: From 1 mile off Pt. Pinos north 1-2 miles and return.

Heavy seas and gale winds prevented us from getting out any further. We were unable to get out far enough to see true pelagic

Time: 0900 - 1100 Observers: Linda Hale, Steve Bailey, Jeri Langham, Peter W. Wind: 10-30 SW-SE Sky: Rain virtually continuous Temp: 55 Water: rough, chop

Species: Arctic Loon	2	Black-legged Kittiwake	20
Brown Pelican	1	Brandt's Cormorant	10
Dark-bellied Shearwater	1	Com. Murre	300
Red Phalarope	1	Rhinoceros Auklet	200
Pomarine Jaeger	1	Cassin's Auklet	15
Glaucous-winged Gull	1	(Pinn-footed Shearwater - 1-58)	
Western Gull	100		

Area 2: within 1 mile of shore from Monterey harbor to Point Pinos

Time: 0830-0900, 1100-1200 Weather: same

Species: Common Loon	25	Red-throated Loon	1
Arctic Loon	5	Yellow-billed Loon	1



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### Monterey Bay boat trip [cont]

Feb. 12 [cont]	Red-necked Grebe	10	Glaucous-winged Gull	2
	Horned Grebe	20	Western Gull	150
	Eared Grebe	25	Calif. Gull	10
	West. Grebe	50	Mew Gull	5
	Brown Pelican	20	Heermann's Gull	5
	Brandt's Cormorant	200	Black-legged Kittiwake	2
	Pelagic Cormorant	30	Com. Murre	40
	Harlequin Duck	10	Pigeon Guillemot	3
	Surf Scoter	150	Cassin's Auklet	1
	Red-breasted Merganser	1	Rhinoceros Auklet	5
	Black Turnstone	3		
	Red Phalarope	4		
	+ <u>Castroville Blvd. sewage pond</u> :			
		Lesser Yellowlegs	1	

Feb. 25 Arcata, Humboldt Co., Calif.

Fieldbrook

Area: Stanley Harris' house on Charles Ct.; Arcata Bottoms; Manila; Humboldt Bay at mouth of Jacoby Creek and at N. end of Eureka.

Time: 0730-1730 Observers: Linda Hale, Jon Dunn, John Mentle, Guy McCaskie, Elizabeth Copper, Hank & Priscilla Brodtkin, Paul Lehman, Louis Bevier, Donna Dittman, Ian MacGregor Temp: 50-60 Sky: partly cloudy

Wind: 0-5

Species: [highlights only - common birds ignored]

Peregrine Falcon	1	(Jacoby Creek)
Merlin	1	( " )
Black-headed Gull	1	(Mad River Slough in Arcata Bottoms)
Little Gull	1 ad.	(N. of Eureka on Humboldt Bay)
Cattle Egret	10	
Snowy Owl	1	
Short-eared Owl	2	
Blue Jay	1	(Fieldbrook)
Rough-legged Hawk	5	(1 dark)

Mar. 17 Strawberry Canyon, U.C. Berkeley, Alameda Co. Calif.

Area: lower portions of fire trail below Botanical Garden; briefly in Bot. Garden

Observers: H. Douglass Pratt Time: 0715-0830 Wind: 0-5 Sky: clear Temp: 60

<u>Species</u> : Red-tailed Hawk	1	Townsend's Warbler	1
Calif. Quail	10	Purple Finch	1
Band-tailed Pigeon	2	Am. Goldfinch	1
Allen's Hummingbird	3	Rufous-sided Towhee	4
Mourning Dove	2	Brown Towhee	5
Steller's Jay	5	Golden-crowned Sparrow	20
Scrub Jay	2	White-crowned Sparrow	2
Chestnut-backed Chickadee	8	Fox Sparrow	4
Plain Titmouse	2	Song Sparrow	5
Bushtit	5		
Wrenfit	4		
Bewick's Wren	1		
Am. Robin	3		
Varied Thrush	1		
Hermit Thrush	2		
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	2		
Hutton's Vireo	1		
Orange-crowned Warbler	3		



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Mar. 18

Point Reyes, Marin Co., Calif

Area: Hdqts vicinity; Five Brooks Stables area; outer Pt. Reyes roads to Coast Guard parking lot 1/4 mi. before Light house + Fish Docks. (briefly)

Observer: John P. O'Neill Time: 1030 (late start) - 1500

Wind: 0-5 Sky: high, thin overcast Temp: Hot, 70-80

<u>Species</u> : Com. Loon	5	Barn Swallow	5
Arctic Loon	5	Scrub Jay	15
Red-throated Loon	1	Stellar's Jay	25
West. Grebe	1	Com. Crow	15
Horned Grebe	3	Com. Raven	6
Pied-billed Grebe	1	Chestnut-backed Chickadee	30
Brandt's Cormorant	1	Plain Titmouse	1
Pelagic Cormorant	5	Bush tit	15
Lesser Scaup	5	Pysmy Nuthatch	5
Bufflehead	4	Brown Creeper	8
Surf Scoter	100	Wrentit	2
Black Scoter	5	Bewick's Wren	1
Red-breasted Merganser	3	Am. Robin	5
Hooded Merganser	4	W. Bluebird	2
Turkey Vulture	50	Hermit Thrush	1
Red-tailed Hawk	2	Golden-crowned Kinglet	5
Red-shouldered Hawk	1	Ruby-crowned Kinglet	5
Am. Nighthawk	2	Eur. Starling	5
Calif. Quail	2	Hutton's Vireo	5
Am. Coot	2	Orange-crowned Warbler	1
West. Gull	10	Yellow-rumped Warbler	3
Glaucous-winged Gull	1	House Sparrow	2
Mourning Dove	4	Red-winged Blackbird	15
Band-tailed Pigeon	5	Tricolored Blackbird	300
Allen's Hummingbird	5	Brewer's Blackbird	75
Com. Flicker	1	House Finch	5
Hairy Woodpecker	2	Pine Siskin	30
Downy Woodpecker	1	Rufous-sided Towhee	1
Black Phoebe	2	Brown Towhee	8
Violet-green Swallow	10	Oregon Junco	5
		Golden-crowned Sparrow	40
		White-crowned Sparrow	40
		Fox Sparrow	5
		Song Sparrow	10

Mar. 31

Pigeon Point, San Mateo Co., Calif.

Area: watched ocean from car in wind-rain storm. 4 freighters (north) were seen close enough to check for walbatrosses in wake. Three of the freighters had 1-3 trailing Black-footed Albatrosses. Weather conditions certainly inhibited bird movement, observer efficiency.

Time: 0815-1050, 1315-1400 Observers: Linda Hale, Steve Cardiff, Cheryl St.

Sky: overcast (horizon visible in 50% of time); rain light to moderate.

Wind: 10-20 S Temp: 55

<u>Species</u> : Common Loon	3	Brandt's Cormorant	300 → N
Arctic Loon	400	Pelagic Cormorant	50 → N
Red-throated Loon	2		
Western Grebe	7	Black Brant	300
Black-footed Albatross	6	Surf Scoter	2500
Pink-footed Shearwater	1	White-winged Scoter	25
dark shearwater (sp)	15	Red-breasted Merganser	12 → N
Manx Shearwater	1	Black Turnstone	2
Brown Pelican	8	Willet	2



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### Pigeon Point [cont]

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Pomarine Jaeger	3	Com. Murre	6
Glaucous-winged Gull	3	Pigeon Guillemot	50
Western Gull	50	Mottled Murrelet	15
Bonaparte's Gull	400	Rhinoceros Auklet	5
Black-legged Kittiwake	4	White-crowned Sparrow	5
Forster's Tern	8		

+ Pescadero Marsh: hybrid Cinnamon x Blue-wing Teal (like Cinnamon but with buff <sup>crescent</sup> )

+ Gazos Creek: West. Flycatcher 5, Wilson's Warbler 1

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### Tilden Park, Contra Costa Co., Calif.

Area: walk from Plot to Jewel Lake and briefly around N end of Playing Field

Time: 0845-1015 Observers: Linda Hale Temp: 55-60 Sky: clear Wind: 0-5

<u>Species</u> : Mallard	3	Am. Robin	5
Turkey Vulture	1	Warbling Vireo	3
Red-tailed Hawk	1	Orange-crowned Warbler	6
Am. Coot	1	Wilson's Warbler	3
Band-tailed Pigeon	10	Red-winged Blackbird	5
Mourning Dove	8	Bullock's Oriole	3
Selasphorus (sp)	4	Brown-headed Cowbird	1
"Yellow-shafted" Flicker	1	Black-headed Grosbeak	8
Downy Woodpecker	3	Lazuli Bunting	1
Black Phoebe	1	Western Tanager	1
Western Flycatcher	3	Purple Finch	1
Olive-sided Flycatcher	1	House Finch	2
Stellar's Jay	8	Piner Siskin	2
Scrub Jay	1	Am. Goldfinch	15
Chestnut-backed Chickadee	6	Rufous-sided Towhee	2
Plain Titmouse	1	Brown Towhee	4
Bushtit	4	Oregon Junco	1
Wrentit	2	Golden-crowned Sparrow	1
Bewick's Wren	1	Song Sparrow	5
Calif. Thrasher	1		

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### Palomar State Park, San Diego Co., Calif.

Area: Fry Creek Campground; Doane Pond; Hwy

Time: 0100-0400

Observers: Jon Dunn

Sky: overcast, intermittent showers; some breeze; Full moon, but obscured after first 15 mins

<u>Species</u> : Com. Screech-Owl	1	Spotted Owl	2
Great Horned Owl	2	(+ Barn Owl - just below Mt. Palo	

### Borrego Valley, San Diego Co., Calif.

Area: mesquite thickets in ; various roads and fields; golf course; Cottonwood Stables; Yaqui Wells

Time: 0515-0915 Observers: Jon Dunn Wind: 0-10 W Sky: clear Temp: 60-75

<u>Species</u> : Red-tailed Hawk	4	White-throated Swift	1
Northern Harrier	1	Costa's Hummingbird	4
Osprey	1	Anna's Hummingbird	1
Am. Kestrel	5	West. Kingbird	5
Calif. Quail [Yaqui]	5	Ash-throated Flycatcher	5
Gambell's Quail	50+	Say's Phoebe	1
White-winged Dove	5	West. Flycatcher	5
Mourning Dove	100+	W. Wood Pewee	1
Ground Dove	2	Olive-sided Flycatcher	1
G. Roadrunner	4	Barn Swallow	3
Long-eared Owl [Tomerish Grove]	1		



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Com. Raven	60
Verdin	10
Bushtit (Yaqui)	2
Gewitt's Wren	5
Cactus Wren	2
Rock Wren	3
Mockingbird	5
Calif Thrasher (Yaqui)	1
Crissal Thrasher	2
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher (Yaqui)	1
Black-tailed Gnatcatcher	5
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	1
Cedar Waxwing	6
Phainopepla	5
Loggerhead Shrike	4
Whirling Vireo	8
Orange-crowned Warbler	105
Nashville Warbler	105
Yellow Warbler	1
Black-throated Gray Warbler	2
MacGillivray's Warbler	3

Starling	100
House Sparrow	50
Wilson's Warbler	10
W. Meadowlark	2
Hooded Oriole	1
Bullock's Oriole	7
Brewer's Blackbird	10
Brown-headed Cowbird	10
Western Tanager	3
Black-headed Grosbeak	10
Blue Grosbeak	1
Lazuli Bunting	3
House Finch	30
Lesser Goldfinch	5
Lawrence's Goldfinch	10
Green-tailed Towhee	1
Savannah Sparrow	1
Lark Sparrow	10
Black-throated Sparrow	3
Chipping Sparrow	2
Brewer's Sparrow	5
White-crowned Sparrow	8
Golden-crowned Sparrow	2
Lincoln's Sparrow	1

+ Scissors Crossing area: Virginia Rail 5, Sara 1, Scott's Oriole 1,

+ Banner Grade: Mountain Quail 1, Black-chinned Sparrow 1, Red-shouldered Hawk 1, Hammond's Flyc. 1, Lincoln's Sparrow 1

## Cuyamaca Lake

(30+ mins)

Common Loon	2
Red-throated Loon	1
Eared Grebe	4
Western Grebe	2
Pied-billed Grebe	8
Mallard	4
Pintail	10
Green-winged Teal	10
Cinnamon Teal	25
Am. Wigeon	20
N. Shoveler	1
Redhead	2
Ring-necked Duck	6
Canvasback	1
Surf Scoter	4
Ruddy Duck	500

Turkey Vulture	1
Red-tailed Hawk	4
Golden Eagle	1
Mountain Quail	2
N. Phalarope	5000
Herring Gull	1
Bonaparte's Gull	3
Com. Flicker	1
Horned Lark	5
Black Phoebe	1
Violet-green Swallow	20
Rough-winged Swallow	20
Cliff Swallow	1
Western Kingbird	1
West. Bluebird	15

## Paso Picacho, Cuyamaca Mtns, San Diego Co., Calif

Time: 1100-1200 Observers: Jon Dunn Wind: 2-10 Sky: overcast

Species: Cooper's Hawk	1	Hammond's Flycatcher	2
Red-shouldered Hawk	1	Olive-sided Flycatcher	1
Mountain Quail	1	Steller's Jay	15
Band-tailed Pigeon	15	Mountain Chickadee	10
Anna's Hummingbird	1	Plain Titmouse	1
Acorn Woodpecker	15	Bushtit	2
Hairy Woodpecker	2	White-breasted Nuthatch	2
Nuttall's Woodpecker	1	Pygmy Nuthatch	5
White-headed Woodpecker	1	Am. Robin	1



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Solitary Vireo	1	Purple Finch	3
Audubon's Warbler	10	Lesser Goldfinch	1
Townsend's Warbler	5	Lawrence's Goldfinch	
Hermit Warbler	5	Rufous-sided Towhee	2
Bullock's Oriole	3	Dark-eyed Junco	5
Brown-headed Cowbird	1	Chipping Sparrow	1
Western Tanager	1		
Black-headed Grosbeak	4		

## San Diego area, San Diego Co., Calif.

Area: Santee Lakes; Mission Dam; San Diego River channel - Mission Bay; Pt. Loma;  
Silver Strand Time: 1330 - 1930 Observer: Jon Dunn, Elizabeth Copper

Wind: 0-5 Sky: overcast to low drizzle after 1800 - dark early

Species: Common Arctic Loon	50	Willet	100
Red-throated Loon	1	Spotted Sandpiper	3
Eared Grebe	50	Wandering Tattler	2
West. Grebe	15	Ruddy Turnstone	4
Brown Pelican	20	Black Turnstone	10
Double-crested Cormorant	150	Short-billed Dowitcher	300
Brandt's Cormorant	20	Red Knot	100
Pelagic Cormorant	5	Sanderling	25
Great Blue Heron	1	Western Sandpiper	1000
Reddish Egret	1	Least Sandpiper (Santee)	1
Great Egret	1	Dunlin	10
Snowy Egret	6	Wilson's Phalarope	20
Black-crowned Night Heron	3	Parasitic Jaeger	3
Mallard	10	Western Gull	~30
Gadwall	2	California Gull	~25
N. Pintail	1	Ring-billed Gull	~25
Cinnamon Teal	10	Bonaparte's Gull	3
Am. Wigeon	5	Heermann's Gull	3
Canvasback (Santee)	1	Black-legged Kittiwake (Pt. Loma)	1
Greater Scaup	4	Forster's Tern	10
Lesser Scaup	10	Common Tern	15
Bufflehead (San Diego R. channel)	1	Least Tern	15
Surf Scoter	300	Royal Tern	2
Ruddy Duck	100	Elegant Tern	10
Red-breasted Merganser	2	Caspian Tern	25
White-tailed Kite	2	Black Stimmer	12
Red-tailed Hawk	3	Mourning Dove	25
Peregrine Falcon (river channel)	1	Rock Dove	25
Am. Nighthawk	1	Vaux's Swift	10
Am. Coot	100	White-throated Swift	1
Black-necked Stilt	5	Costa's Hummingbird	2
Am. Avocet	5	Anna's Hummingbird	5
Semipalmated Plover	10	Mitell's Woodpecker	1
Snowy Plover	1	Western Kingbird	1
Killdeer	5	Cassin's Kingbird (Santee)	1
Black-bellied Plover	5	Ash-throated Flycatcher	4
Marbled Godwit	200	Black Phoebe	2
Whimbrel (river channel)	1	Hammond's Flycatcher	1
Long-billed Curlew (Strand)	1	West. Flycatcher	1
Greater Yellowlegs	1	W. Wood Pewee	1
Lesser Yellowlegs	1	Rough-winged Swallow	10



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Barn Swallow	10	Hooded Oriole	2
Cliff Swallow	200	Bullock's Oriole	2
Scrub Jay	10	Brewer's Blackbird	20
Com. Raven	5	Brown-headed Cowbird	5
Bushtit	2	Black-headed Grosbeak	20
Red-breasted Nuthatch (pt. home)	1	Lazuli Bunting	16
Wrentit	1	House Finch	25
House Wren	10	Pine Siskin	2
Long-billed Marsh Wren	3	Am. Goldfinch	2
Canyon Wren (Mission Dam)	1	Lesser Goldfinch	5
Mockingbird	3	Lawrence's Goldfinch	10
Water Pipit	1	Brown Towhee	5
Cedar Waxwing	2	Savannah Sparrow	1
Bell's Vireo (Mission Dam)	2	Grosbeak Sparrow	1
Yellow Warbler	1	Rufous-crowned Sparrow	1
MacGillivray's Warbler	1	Song Sparrow	15
Com. Yellowthroat	4		
W. Meadowlark	5		
Red-winged Blackbird	25		
Tricolored Blackbird (Santee)	20		

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North End Salton Sea, Riverside  
Imperial Co., Calif

Area: Whitewater River mouth; nearby farmhouses Observers: Jon Dunn

Time: 0530 - 0930 Wind: 5-15 N Sky: clear Temp: 50-75

<u>Species</u> : <del>Common Grebe</del>	25	Com. Gallinule	5
Western Grebe	10	Am. Coot	500
White Pelican	30	Snowy Plover	1
Double-crested Cormorant	5	Semipalmated Plover	10
Great Blue Heron	1	Killdeer	1
Green Heron	1	Whimbrel	1
Great Egret	40	Marbled Godwit	5
Snowy Egret	300	Greater Yellowlegs	3
Cattle Egret	20	Long-billed Dowitcher	50
Black-crowned Night Heron	50	Dunlin	5
Least Bittern	25	Western Sandpiper	200
White-faced Ibis	8	Least Sandpiper	3
Black Brant	3	Red Knot	3
<u>Snow Goose</u>	8	Am. Avocet	100
Mallard	5	Black-necked Stilt	25
Gadwall	10	Herring Gull	2
N. Pintail	5	Calif. Gull	5
Green-winged Teal	2	Ring-billed Gull	50
Cinnamon Teal	10	Bonaparte's Gull	15
Am. Wigeon	5	Gull-billed Tern	2
N. Shoveler	100	Forster's Tern	150
Redhead	15	Caspian Tern	15
Bufflehead	1	Black Tern	20
Ruddy Duck	1000	Rock Dove	5
Red-breasted Merganser	1	Mourning Dove	20
Red-tailed Hawk	1	Ground Dove	1
Am. Nighthawk	1	Greater Roadrunner	3
Gambel's Quail	15	Vaux's Swift	3
Clapper Rail	5	White-throated Swift	2
Virginia Rail	2	(Rufous Hummingbird - 1-30)	
		Lesser Nighthawk	1



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Ladder-backed Woodpecker	1	Audubon's Warbler	1
Western Kingbird	4	Townsend's Warbler	1
Ash-throated Flycatcher	2	MacGillivray's Warbler	1
Tree Swallow	13	Com. Yellowthroat	3
Bank Swallow	4	Wilson's Warbler	5
Rough-winged Swallow	25	House Sparrow	50
Barn Swallow	15	Yellow-headed Blackbird	50
Cliff Swallow	5	Red-winged Blackbird	10
Com. Raven	2	Hooded Oriole	1
Verdin	10	Bullock's Oriole	4
Bewick's Wren	1	Brewer's Blackbird	10
Cactus Wren	4	Brown-headed Cowbird	15
Long-billed Marsh Wren	10	Blue Grosbeak	2
N. Mockingbird	4	House Finch	10
Crissal Thrasher	3	Abert's Towhee	10
Black-tailed Gnatcatcher	5	(Brewer's Sparrow - 1-30)	
Eur. Starling	50	Song Sparrow	10
Warbling Vireo	2		
Orange-crowned Warbler	1		
Yellow Warbler	1		

### Salton City, Imperial Co., Calif

Area: beaches from north to south end

Observers: Jon Dunn Time: 1000-1100

<u>Species</u> : Eared Grebe	5000	Willet	15
Great Blue Heron	1	Greater Yellowlegs	4
Snowy Egret	4	Am. Avocet	50
Prairie Falcon	1	Black-necked Stilt	10
Am. Coot	10	Calif Gull	5
Snowy Plover	8	Ring-billed Gull	15
Semipalmated Plover	20	Bonaparte's Gull	5
Black-bellied Plover	5	Gull-billed Tern	8
Killdeer	2	Forster's Tern	25
Marbled Godwit	10	Caspian Tern	2
dowitcher (sp)	300	House Sparrow	2
Short-billed Dowitcher	10		
Dunlin	25		
Red Knot	50		
Western Sandpiper	400		
Least Sandpiper	2		
Sanderling	10		

$\Sigma$  spp for 4/29 = 228 (+ 3 seen by others)

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### Mt. Palomar State Park, San Diego Co., Calif.

Area: Fry Creek Campground; Doane Pond + adjacent roads Time: 0000-0215

Wind: 0-2 Sky: high overcast, 1/2 moon but not visible Temp: 50

Observers: Jon Dunn, Kimball Garrett, Richard Webster, Terry Clark

Species: Com. Screech-Owl 1 (probably outside park boundaries by 5 miles)

Great Horned Owl	2	N. Saw-whet Owl	1
Spotted Owl	2	N. Pygmy-Owl	1

+ Lake Henshaw: Barn Owl 3

### North End Salton Sea, Riverside Co., Calif.

Area: mouth of Whitewater River; two stops for landbirds in mesquite thicket on Lincoln Ave and at nearby farmhouse on Ave. 66; also brief look at e. end of 81st. (wastes for birds)

Time: 0445-0720 Wind: 10-20 N Sky: p.c. Temp: 55-65 Observer: Sam

<u>Species</u> : Eared Grebe	160	Western Grebe	2
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Pied-billed Grebe	2	Calif. Gull	20
White Pelican	100	Ring-billed Gull	100
Double-crested Cormorant	10	Franklin's Gull	1 ad.
Great Blue Heron	4	Bonaparte's Gull	20
Green Heron	1	Forster's Tern	300
Cattle Egret	5	Black Tern	10
Great Egret	25	Black Skimmer	25
Snowy Egret	100	Mourning Dove	50
Black-crowned Night Heron	25	Com. Ground Dove	2
Least B. Heron	10	Greater Roadrunner	4
Am. Bittern	1	Lesser Nighthawk	2
White-faced Ibis	5	Vaux's Swift	1
Brant	6	White-throated Swift	3
Snow Goose	10	Belted Kingfisher	1
Ross' Goose	1	Ladder-backed Woodpecker	1
Mallard	1	Western Kingbird	10
Gadwall	5	Ash-throated Flycatcher	3
N. Pintail	2	Hammond's Flycatcher	1
Green-winged Teal	5	W. Wood Pewee	1
Cinnamon Teal	5	Tree Swallow	10
Am. Wigeon	2	Rough-winged Swallow	50
N. Shoveler	20	Barn Swallow	25
Redhead	5	Com. Raven	2
Bufflehead	1	Verdin	5
Ruddy Duck	500	Bewick's Wren	1
Red-breasted Merganser	6	Cactus Wren	2
Red-tailed Hawk	1	Long-billed Marsh Wren	10
Northern Harrier	1	N. Mockingbird	8
Am. Kestrel	4	Crissal Thrasher	1
Gambell's Quail	5	Black-tailed Gnatcatcher	2
Clapper Rail	2	Cedar Waxwing	20
Virginia Rail	2	Phainopepla	1
(Sora - 1 - KG, RW)		Loggerhead Shrike	2
Com. Gallinule	5	Eur. Starling	25
Am. Coot	40	Warbling Vireo	2
Semipalmated Plover	10	Lucy's Warbler	1
Snowy Plover	1	Audubon's Warbler	2
Killdeer	1	Com. Yellowthroat	2
Ruddy Turnstone	10	Wilson's Warbler	3
Whimbrel	40	House Sparrow	20
Spotted Sandpiper	3	Yellow-headed Blackbird	25
Willet	10	Red-winged Blackbird	10
Greater Yellowlegs	2	Hooded Oriole	2
Red Knot	50	Bullock's Oriole	4
Least Sandpiper	2	Brown-headed Cowbird	5
Western Sandpiper	300	Western Tanager	3
Dunlin	5	Black-headed Grosbeak	2
Short-billed Dowitcher	20	Blue Grosbeak	1
Long-billed Dowitcher	100	Lazuli Bunting	5
Am. Avocet	200	House Finch	5
Black-necked Stilt	20	Abbott's Towhee	3
Wilson's Phalarope	10	White-crowned Sparrow	2
Glaucous-winged Gull	1	Song Sparrow	5
Herring Gull	10		

Black-bellied Plover 10, Marbled Godwit 5  
+ Salton City: Gull-billed Tern 2, Sandpiper 10



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## Borrego Valley, San Diego Co., Calif.

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Area: roads through the valley; stops at 3-4 tree clumps in valley;  
stops on slopes of hills bordering valley; Tamarisk Grove; Yagui Wells

Time: 0805 -

Observed: Same

Wind: 0-20 [variable from spot to spot]

Temp: 70 Sky: p.c.

<u>Species</u> : Red-tailed Hawk	4	Nashville Warbler	1
Swainson's Hawk	4	Black-throated Gray Warbler	1
Golden Eagle	2	MacGillivray's Warbler	1
Am. Kestrel	1	Com. Yellowthroat	1
Great Roadrunner	1	Wilson's Warbler	3
Com. Poorwill (~0345)	1	House Sparrow	20
Costa's Hummingbird	5	Bullock's Oriole	2
Rufous Hummingbird	1	West. Tanager	1
Western Kingbird	5	Black-headed Grosbeak	1
Say's Phoebe	1	Lazuli Bunting	2
Western Flycatcher	3	House Finch	20
Com. Raven	20	Lesser Goldfinch	10
Verdin	5	Lawrence's Goldfinch	5
Bushtit	2	Green-tailed Towhee	1
Bewick's Wren	1	Savannah Sparrow	1
Rock Wren	2	Lark Sparrow	2
N. Mockingbird	1	Black-throated Sparrow	5
Hermit Thrush	1	Brewer's Sparrow	4
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	1	White-crowned Sparrow	4
Phainopepla	3	Golden-crowned Sparrow	1
Eur. Starling	5	Lincoln's Sparrow	1
Solitary Vireo	1		
Warbling Vireo	2		
Orange-crowned Warbler	3		

+ Scissors Crossing area: Calif. Quail, Scott's Oriole, W. Meadowlark, Ladder-backed Woodpecker

+ Banner Grade: Sharp-shinned Hawk 2, Mountain Quail, Anna's Hummingbird, Belted Kingfisher, Acorn Woodpecker, Ash-throated Flycatcher, Olive-sided Flycatcher, Scrub Jay, Plain Titmouse, Wrentit, Calif. Thrasher, Hutton's Vireo, Yellow Warbler, Rufous-sided Towhee, Black-chinned Sparrow, (Black-chinned Hummingbird - 1 - KG, JD)

## Cuyamaca Lake, San Diego Co., Calif

Time: 15 mins. obs.

Wind: 10-20

Obs: Same

<u>Species</u> : Common Loon	6	Violet-green Swallow	10
Eared Grebe	2	Cliff Swallow	10
[dabbling ducks ignored]		Purple Martin	4
Ring-necked Duck	30	Stellar's Jay	2
Canvasback	2	Com. Crow	5
Lesser Scaup	3	Oregon Junco	1
Surf Scoter	10	[Chipping Sparrow - JD, KG, RW]	
Red-tailed Hawk	2	Brewer's Blackbird	10
Golden Eagle	1		
Mountain Quail	2		
Am. Coot	100		
N. Phalarope	200+		
Belted Kingfisher	1		
Com. Flicker	1		
Horned Lark	5		



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### Paso Picacho, Cuyamaca Mtns, San Diego Co., Calif

Area: walk around outskirts of campground Time: ~1 hr.

Obs: same

Wind: 5-10 SKY: p.c.

Species: Red-tailed Hawk

Band-tailed Pigeon

Acorn Woodpecker

Nuttall's Woodpecker

(Ash-throated Flycatcher

White-headed Woodpecker

Olive-sided Flycatcher

Steller's Jay

Mountain Chickadee

Plain Titmouse

White-breasted Nuthatch

Pygmy Nuthatch

Brown Creeper

Andubon's Warbler

Townsend's Warbler

Hermit Warbler

Black-headed Grosbeak

Purple Finch

Rufous-sided Towhee

Oregon Junco

Comments: Although time of day and weather conditions were nearly identical to those of 25 Apr., bird numbers were much reduced, almost certainly due to abundance of campers using the campground + elsewhere Hwy 79. Turkey Vulture 1, Cooper's Hawk 1, Red-shouldered Hawk 1 (15 mins)

+ Santee Lakes, San Diego Co.: Cassin's Kingbird, Black Phoebe, Tricolored Blackbird

+ Mission Dam (1 hr.): White-tailed Kite 1, Canyon Wren 1, Yellow-breasted Chat 2, Bell's Vireo 2, Rufous-crowned Sparrow 2, Am. Goldfinch 2, Grasshopper Sparrow, Brown Towhee 2

### Point Loma, San Diego Co., Calif

+ brief stops at Loma College, Cabrillo Nat. Mon.

Area: coast from Coast Guard Lighthouse to nearly parking lot next to marine lab Time: 1610-1645 Tide: High

Species: Arctic Loon

Red-throated Loon

Brown Pelican

Black Storm-Petrel

Brandt's Cormorant

Pelagic Cormorant

Surf Scoter

Black Oystercatcher

Black-bellied Plover

Ruddy Turnstone

Spotted Sandpiper

Wandering Tattler

Parasitic Jaeger

Western Gull

Heermann's Gull

Elegant Tern

tern (sp)

White-throated Swift

Barn Swallow

Com. Raven

Red-breasted Nuthatch

Wren Tit

Hermit Thrush

Ruby-crowned Kinglet

Cedar Waxwing

Townsend's Warbler

Wilson's Warbler

Hammond's Flycatcher

West. Flycatcher

+ San Diego River mouth: Royal Tern 25, Least Tern 25, Com. Tern 50, Caspian Tern 10

### La Jolla, San Diego Co., Calif.

Area: scanned ocean + rocks from Pt. La Jolla. Time: 1630-1700

Tide: high Wind: 0-5 SKY: sunny, p.c.

Observes: same

Species: Sooty Shearwater

Manx Shearwater

Brandt's Cormorant

Black Turnstone

Pomarine Jaeger

Parasitic Jaeger

tern (sp)

Western Gull

Heermann's Gull

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Apr. 29 + San Diego Bay nr. Coronado bridge: Greater Scaup 4

[cont] Playa del Rey, Los Angeles Co. Calif.

Area: walked along rock jetty + along creek inland ~ 1/4 mile Obs: 54m

Time: 2200-2300 (by Flashlight)

<u>Species</u> : Com. Loon	1	<u>Black Oystercatcher</u>	1
Arctic Loon	4	<u>Wandering Tattler</u>	2
Black Brant	1		
Surf Scoter	25		
<u>Black Scoter</u>	1		
White-winged Scoter	1		

May 19 Pt. Reyes, Marin Co. Calif.

Area: Mendoza Ranch (to look for possible White-eyed Vireo reported there today)

Time: 1800-1910 Observers: Linda Hale

Wind: 5-15 W Sky: clear, but dense fog rolled in at 1900 Temp: 55-60

<u>Species</u> : Surf Scoter	15	House Sparrow	20
Red-tailed Hawk	1	<u>White-eyed Vireo</u>	1
Com. Raven	5	<u>Northern Parula</u>	1♂
Horned Lark	1	House Finch	2
Tree Swallow	2	Pine Siskin	2
Barn Swallow	5	White-crowned Sparrow	1
Eur. Starling	15		

May 29 Bay Bridge Toll Plaza, Alameda Co. Calif.

Time: 1200-1300 Observers: Linda Hale Tide: very low - most terns

too far away to J.D. Wind: 5 W Sky: clear Temp: 75

<u>Species</u> : Brown Pelican	25	Western Gull	100
Double-crested Cormorant	1	Calif. Gull	7
Great Egret	1	Caspian Tern	10
Snowy Egret	5	Forster's Tern	175
Black-crowned Night Heron	1	Mourning Dove	1
<sup>Surf Scoter</sup> Killdeer	5	House Finch	8
Black-bellied Plover	5	Am. Goldfinch	3
Long-billed Curlew	1	Song Sparrow	5
Whimbrel	1		
Marbled Godwit	9		

June 2 Point Reyes, Marin Co. Calif.

Area: Outer Pt. Reyes from Schooner Bay to Lighthouse; Mendoza Ranch; Lighthouse; Fish Docks + willows in draw to the north; Nunes Ranch + First weedy gully to SW; Drakes Beach. Time: 0720-1330

Observers: Linda Hale, Kent Van Vuren Wind: 0-5 S Sky: thick high overcast until ~ 10 AM; then clearing to sunny skies; Overcast in AM from Berkeley to Pt. Reyes but clear on return trip Temp: 60-70

<u>Species</u> : Common Loon	10	Great Blue Heron	1
Arctic Loon	150	Surf Scoter	100
Red-throated Loon	1	Turkey Vulture	10
Western Grebe	2	Red-tailed Hawk	4
<u>Horned Grebe</u> (breed. plum)	1	Northern Harrier	2
Sooty Shearwater	1	Am. Kestrel	1
Brandt's Cormorant	300	Calif. Quail ( <u>Nunes Ranch</u> )	1
Pelagic Cormorant	25	Killdeer	1



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## Pt. Reyes [cont]

West. Gull	30
Com. Murre	1000+
Pigeon Guillemot	20
Mourning Dove	2
<del>Swainson's Thrush</del> - 1 (H)	
Allen's Hummingbird	5
Black Phoebe	1
Empidonax (sp)	1
W. Wood Pewee	4
Colive-sided Flycatcher - 1-KVU	
Horned Lark	2
Rough-winged Swallow	5
Barn Swallow	30
Cliff Swallow	5
Com. Raven	5
Mountain Chickadee	1
Winter Wren	1
Bewick's Wren	3
N. Mockingbird	1
Am. Robin	1
Swainson's Thrush	3
Western Bluebird	50
Eur. Starling	50

Black-and-white Warbler	2 (♂, ♀)
Tennessee Warbler	3
Yellow Warbler	1
Bay-breasted Warbler	1 ♂
Com. Yellowthroat	2
Am. Redstart	1 ♀
House Sparrow	50
Red-winged Blackbird	10
? Tricolored Blackbird	1 (heard)
Brown-headed Cowbird	5
Brewer's Blackbird	15
House Finch	10
Am. Goldfinch	10
Pine Siskin	15
Savannah Sparrow	5
White-crowned Sparrow	30
Song Sparrow	3

June 3

## Monterey area, Monterey Co. Calif

Area: Carmel River mouth - strictly from Carmel River beach -  
and look virtually only at the white-rumped Sandpiper found yesterday  
by Jeri Langham. Time: 0600-0730 Observers: Linda Hale, Garth Alton,  
Chris Carpenter, Jeri Langham, Ron Branson, + many members of  
Sacramento Aud. Society. Wind: 0 Sky: thick high overcast Temp: 60

Water: fairly large exposed mudflat.

<u>Species</u> : Mallard	10	Swainson's Thrush	1
Red-breasted Merganser	1	Eur. Starling	10
Killdeer	2	Com. Yellowthroat	4
<u>White-rumped Sandpiper</u>	1	House Sparrow	5
Wilson's Phalarope	1 ♀	Red-winged Blackbird	15
Western Gull	10	Brewer's Blackbird	10
Mourning Dove	2	Brown-headed Cowbird	2
Belted Kingfisher	1	House Finch	10
Black Phoebe	1	White-crowned Sparrow	2
Violet-green Swallow	5		
Tree Swallow	2		
Barn Swallow	15		
Cliff Swallow	20		
Rough-winged Swallow	2		
Scrub Jay	2		
Long-billed Marsh Wren	1		

Area 2: cypress groves at Crespi Pond and Esplanade - no  
migrants seen despite dead calm and thick, high overcast

June 18

## Palace of Fine Arts, San Francisco, San Francisco Co. Calif

Area: walked all the way around the lake, but concentrated on the  
island at N. end, looking for Great-tailed Grackle reported here earlier  
Time: 1900-1945 Wind: S-15 W Sky: clear Temp: 60

Observers: Linda Hale, Don Roberson, Laurie Binford, Joe Morlan, Jolaine Munch, Bud Fry



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### Palace of Fine Arts [cont]

June 18	greasy Mallards	10	Brewer's Blackbird	25
	Bufflehead	18	Great-tailed Grackle	18
[cont]	Black-crowned Night Heron	1	House Finch	2
	Am. Coot	2	White-crowned Sparrow	2
	Rock Dove	10	Song Sparrow	1
	Violet-green Swallow	3		
	Barn Swallow	4		
	Cliff Swallow	8		
	House Sparrow	15		
	Brown-headed Cowbird	1		

July 4 Tufted Puffin (1-BE) - Et. Reyes Lighthouse, with 75+ Surf Scoters

July 12 San Francisco Bay, Berkeley Marina to Golden Gate Bridge, Calif

Time: 0630-0745, 1830-1945		Observers: Linda Hale, Charlie Sellers, Carolyn Merchant		
Species:	<u>Ashy Storm-Petrel</u>	1	Western Gull	200
	Brown Pelican	10	Heermann's Gull	10
	Brandt's Cormorant	15	Forster's Tern	30
	Mallard	1	Caspian Tern	2
	Semipalmated Plover	1	Common Tern (near Angel. Is.)	1
	Short-billed Dowitcher	1	Common Murre	300
	Black-crowned Night Heron	1		

### Boat trip to Farallons, San Francisco Co. Calif.

Area: From 1 mi. offshore from Golden Gate to within 1 mi of Farallons

Time: 200-0800-1300 1400-1730 Wind: 10-15 NW Sky: mostly high overcast, except for 1 hr. in afternoon. Observers: same

Species:	Black-footed Albatross	1	Western Gull	25
	Sooty Shearwater	7	Heermann's Gull	2
	Brown Pelican	3	Com. Murre	2000+
	Brandt's Cormorant	50	[many flying from S.F. Bay to Farallons carrying fish]	
	Pelagic Cormorant	3		

### Farallon Islands, Calif

Area: brief look around island from sailboat - went around SE.

Farallons once. Time: 1800-1400 Observers: same

Species:	Brown Pelican	1	Pigeon Guillemot	200
	Brandt's Cormorant	200+	Tufted Puffin	8
	Pelagic Cormorant	50+	Cassin's Auklet	1
	Black Oystercatcher	2		
	Western Gull	2000+		
	Com Murre	10,000+		

July 17 Tilden Park Contra Costa Co. Calif

Area: Walk around Jewel Lake (1 hr) plus rest of time spent in dense thickets upstream from Jewel Lake opposite Nature Center looking for worm-eating Warbler which has been there a week Time: 0930-1130

Observers: Linda Hale Temp: 75-80 Wind: 0-10 Sky: clear

Species:	feral Mallard	25	Anna's Hummingbird	3 4
	feral (?) Pintail (very tame)	1	Allen's Hummingbird (ID assumed)	3
	Cooper's Hawk	1 ad.	Belted Kingfisher	1
	California Quail	2	Downy Woodpecker	2
	Am. Coot	6 (5 juvs.)	Nuttall's Woodpecker	1
	Mourning Dove	3	Black Phoebe	2



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Tilden Park [cont]

Western Flycatcher	1	Red-winged Blackbird	5
W. Wood Pewee	3	Western Tanager	1
Olive-sided Flycatcher	1	Black-headed Grosbeak	4
Barn Swallow	2	Purple Finch	5
Scrub Jay	1	House Finch	2
Steller's Jay	5	Am. Goldfinch	8
Chestnut-backed Chickadee	10	Lesser Goldfinch	1
Plain Titmouse	3	Rufous-sided Towhee	5
Bushtit	2	Brown Towhee	5
Wrentit	5	Oregon Junco	4
Bewick's Wren	3	Song Sparrow	3
Swainson's Thrush	12		
Warbling Vireo	6		
<u>Worm-eating Warbler</u>	1		
<u>Wilson's Warbler</u>	2		
House Sparrow	2		

July 20 Alvarado salt ponds Alameda Co. Calif.

Area: Leslie Salt Co. ponds and marshes due W. of Alvarado to see Black Shimmer Dick Erickson had just found Observers: Don Robinson, P. Ch.  
Time: 1700-1830 Wind: 5-10 Sky: clear Temp: 75

<u>Species</u> : White Pelican	400	Willet	20+
Double-crested Cormorant	200	Short-billed Dowitcher	20+
Great Blue Heron	2	peep (sp)	200+
Great Egret	3	<u>Black Shimmer</u>	1
Snowy Egret	25	gull (sp)	3
Black-crowned Night Heron	15	Caspian Tern	30 + 10 juvs
Godwall	10 ads + 25 juvs.	Forster's Tern	25
Cinnamon Teal	2	Least Tern	2 ads + 1 juv
Mallard	2	Com. Yellowthroat	1
Greater Scaup	30	Savannah Sparrow	1
Ruddy Duck	10	Song Sparrow	1
Northem Harrier	2		
Am. Avocet	20+		
Black-necked Stilt	30+		
Wilson's Phalarope	50+		
Long-billed Curlew	10		
Marbled Godwit	200+		

Aug. 6 Bodega Bay, Sonoma Co. Calif.

Area: fresh-water pond at entrance to Doran Park; brief look around edge of bay and at ocean from Bodega Head. Time: 0945-1230  
(mostly looking for Semipalmated Sandpiper), Wind: 0 Temp: 75-80 Sky:  
Observers: Linda Hale, Joe Morlan Tide: low

<u>Species</u> : Common Loon	2	Turkey Vulture	4
Arctic Loon	5	Osprey	1
Red-throated Loon	1	Semipalmated Plover	20
Brown Pelican	5	Killdeer	5
Brandt's Cormorant	20	<u>Am. Golden Plover</u>	1
Great Blue Heron	2	Black-bellied Plover	4
Mallard	15	Wilson's Phalarope	20
Greater Scaup	1	Willet	10
White-winged Scoter	5	Marbled Godwit	20
Surf Scoter	15	Whimbrel	2



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### Bodega Bay [cont]

Aug. 6	[cont]	Western Sandpiper	75	Mourning Dove	5
		Least Sandpiper	25	Belted Kingfisher	1
		Short-billed Dowitcher	8	Barn Swallow	10
		Glaucous-winged Gull	1	Long-billed Marsh Wren	1
		West. Gull	25	Am. Goldfinch	8
		Calif. Gull	10	Pine Siskin	1
		Ring-billed Gull	10	Savannah Sparrow (feeding yg!)	8
		Hermann's Gull	3	Chipping Sparrow (rare locally)	1
		Com. Murre	10	White-crowned Sparrow	1
		Pigeon Guillemot	15		

Aug. 17 14 mi. N. Blythe, Riverside Co., Cal.f.: Yellow-billed Cuckoo - 1. on nest Clark Ranch

Aug. 19 Ft. Stockton to Ozong on I-10, Texas

Turkey Vulture	34	N. Mockingbird	4
Swainson's Hawk	1	? Lark Bunting	100
Mourning Dove	10		
Gr. Roadrunner	1		

Roadside rest E. of Sheffield (on I-10), Pecos Co., Texas

(20 min):

Mourning Dove	2	Black-throated Sparrow	4 (1 feeding young)
Verdin	1	Lark Sparrow	1
Bewick's Wren	1	Hooded Oriole	2
Canyon Wren	1	Scott's Oriole	2
House Finch	2	Brown-headed Cowbird	1-juv.
Lesser Goldfinch	1		
Brown Towhee	4		

Aug. 27 Highland Park, E. Baton Rouge Par., Louisiana

Area: mostly tall second-growth adjacent to archery range Time: 0825-0945

Observers: Linda Hale, Bill Eley Temp: 80 Sky: pc Wind: 0-5

Species: Red-shouldered Hawk	1	White-eyed Vireo	6
hummingbird (sp)	1	Red-eyed Vireo	2
Downy Woodpecker	1	Prothonotary Warbler	1
Great Crested Flycatcher	2	Worm-eating Warbler	1
Acadian Flycatcher	3	Canada Warbler	1
? <del>Yellow-bellied Flycatcher</del>	2	Summer Tanager	1
Blue Jay	5	Red Cardinal	4
Com. Crow	2	Rufous-sided Towhee	1
Fish Crow	1		
Carolina Chickadee	2		
Carolina Wren	3		
Brown Thrasher	1		

Sept. 4 Highland Park

Time: 0850-1010 Observers: Linda Hale

Wind: 0-5 Temp: 80 Sky: clear

Species: Great Egret	1	Blue Jay	2
Mourning Dove	1	Com. Crow	3
Red-bellied Woodpecker	3	Fish Crow	1
Great Crested Flycatcher	1	Carolina Chickadee	1
Eastern Wood Pewee	1 (Ho)	Tufted Titmouse	2
Acadian Flycatcher	6	Carolina Wren	4



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N. Mockingbird	2	Rufous-sided Towhee	1
Brown Thrasher	1		
Eur. Starling	4		
White-eyed Vireo	6		
Canada Warbler	1		
Red Cardinal	5		

Oct. 28

Cameron Parish Louisiana

Area: Sabine NWR hdqts and areas along Hwy 27; Pelahoué Beach  
Woods; Johnson's Bayou Woods; Smith's Woods; Cameron jetty  
and adjacent shoreline Time: 0800-1830 Temp: 50-80

Sky: clear, some high clouds Wind: 2-15 N Observers: Linda Hale  
Ted Parker, Bill Eley, Doug Pratt.

Species: (Olivaceous Cormorant - 2-DE)

Great Blue Heron	10	Least Sandpiper	15
Little Blue Heron	3	Dunlin	50
Cattle Egret	10	Herring Gull	20
Reddish Egret	1	Ring-billed Gull	75
Great Egret	25	Laughing Gull	2000
Snowy Egret	100	Bonaparte's Gull	5
Louisiana Heron	5	Forkle's Tern	100
Plegadis (sp)	100	Royal Tern	100
White Ibis	10	Sandwich Tern	1
White-fronted Goose	100	Caspian Tern	5
Blue Goose	20	Black Skimmer	15
(Mottled Duck - 100 TP)		White-winged Dove	1
Gadwall	50	Mourning Dove	15
N. Pintail	25	Inca Dove	2
Blue-winged Teal	15	Yellow-billed Cuckoo	1
N. Shoveler	50	Barn Owl	3
Red-shouldered Hawk	3	Belted Kingfisher	2
Red-tailed Hawk	3	Yellow-shafted Flicker	3
Northern Harrier	6	Yellowbellied Sapsucker	4
Merlin	2	Eastern Phoebe	1
Am. Noddy	15	Tree Swallow	25
Virginia Rail	2	Rough-winged Swallow	2
Com. Gallinule	40	Barn Swallow	5
Am. Coot	10	Blue Jay	15
Am. Avocet	150	Fish Crow	10
Semipalmated Plover	2	Red-breasted Nuthatch	1
Killdeer	15	Brown Creeper	2
Piping Plover	3	House Wren	40
Black-bellied Plover	30	Marsh Wren	2
Long-billed Curlew	2	Sedge Wren	1
Greater Yellowlegs	15	N. Mockingbird	10
Lesser Yellowlegs	1	Gray Catbird	1
Willet	20	Brown Thrasher	8
Ruddy Turnstone	3	Hermit Thrush	5
Com. Snipe	5	Mountain Bluebird	1
Long-billed Dowitcher	50	Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	15
Short-billed Dowitcher	2	Rufous-crowned Kinglet	40
Sanderling	25	Water Pipit	2
Semipalmated Sandpiper	200	Loggerhead Shrike	25
Western Sandpiper	3	Eur. Starling	50



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White-eyed Vireo	2
(Solitary Vireo - 1 - LH)	
Red-eyed Vireo	1
Warbling Vireo	2
Black-and-white Warbler	1
(Tennessee Warbler - 1 - TP)	
Orange-crowned Warbler	1
Nashville Warbler	1
(N. Parula - 1 - TP)	
(Pine Warbler - 1 - TP)	
Black-throated Green Warbler	1
(Magnolia Warbler - 1 - TP)	
Myrtle Warbler	10
(Am. Redstart - 2 - DP, TP)	
Com. Yellowthroat	3
E. Meadowlark	20
Red-winged Blackbird	2000
Boat-tailed Grackle	200
Brown-headed Cowbird	200
[Pheucticus (sp) - (prob Black-headed) - 1 - TP]	

Blue Grosbeak	1
Indigo Bunting	25
Painted Bunting	1 ♀
Savannah Sparrow	20
Seaside Sparrow	5
Chipping Sparrow	15
White-crowned Sparrow	4
Lincoln's Sparrow	2
Swamp Sparrow	2
[White Pelican - TP]	

Oct. 29

## Gum Cove, Cameron Parish, Louisiana

Area: Gum Cove Ranch: most time spent checking trees around main ranch bldgs; roads north and west of ranch Time: 0900-1500

Wind: 0-5 N Sky: clear Temp: 65-80 Observers: same

Species: Pied-billed Grebe	2	Com. Gallinule	10
Neotropic Cormorant	1	Am. Coot	2
Great Blue Heron	5	Killdeer	5
Little Blue Heron	2	Greater Yellowlegs	1
Cattle Egret	10	Com. Snipe	1
Great Egret	15	Laughing Gull	1
Snowy Egret	50	Mourning Dove	100
Louisiana Heron	4	Barn Owl	1
Least Bittern	1	Com. Screech-Owl	1
Plegadis (sp)	20	Belted Kingfisher	2
White Ibis	20	Com. Flicker	2
White-fronted Goose	20	Red-bellied Woodpecker	1
Snow Goose	2	Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	3
Blue Goose	10	Ea. Phoebe	2
Mallard	6	E. Wood Pewee	1
Gadwall	50	Tree Swallow	10
N. Pintail	15	Blue Jay	10
Green-winged Teal	50	Fish Crow	75
Blue-winged Teal	75	Carolina Chickadee	1
N. Shoveler	2	(Red-breasted Nuthatch - 2 TP)	
Am. Wigeon	10	Brown Creeper	2
Turkey Vulture	25	House Wren	5
Black Vulture	20	Winter Wren	2
Sharp-shinned Hawk	1	N. Mockingbird	5
Red-tailed Hawk	8	Gray Catbird	7
N. Harrier	3	Brown Thrasher	4
Nerlin	1	(Am. Robin - 1 - LH)	
Am. Kestrel	10	Wood Thrush	1
Com. Bobwhite	10	Hermit Thrush	5



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Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	1
Golden-crowned Kinglet	10
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	50
Loggerhead Shrike	10
Eur. Starling	50
(White-eyed Vireo - 1 - VP)	
Solitary Vireo	2
Orange-crowned Warbler	3
(N. Parula - 1 - TP)	
(Yellow Warbler - 1 - TP)	
Black-throated Blue Warbler	20
Pine Warbler	2
Black-throated Green Warbler	2
(Magnolia Warbler - 1 - TP)	
Myrtle Warbler	10
Palm Warbler	1
E. Meadowlark	20
Red-winged Blackbird	500

Baltimore Oriole	1
Brewer's Blackbird	50
Boat-tailed Grackle	200
Great-tailed Grackle	5
Brown-headed Cowbird	100
Rose-breasted Grosbeak	1
Indigo Bunting	2
Savannah Sparrow	3
Slate-colored Junco	1
Chipping Sparrow	15
Clay-colored Sparrow	1
White-crowned Sparrow	15
Lincoln's Sparrow	3
Swamp Sparrow	3

Nov. 23

Cameron Parish, Louisiana

Area: Sabine NWR. hdqts; east Jetty of Cameron; roads in between

Time: 1530 - 1730 Observers: Linda Hale Wind: 2-5 S

Sky: cloudy, some sprinkles Temp: 70-75

Species: Neotropic Cormorant	10	Water Pipit	1
Great Blue Heron	4	Loggerhead Shrike	10
Great Egret	15	Eur. Starling	400
Snowy Egret	8	Com. Yellowthroat	1
White Ibis	1	House Sparrow	2
Snow-Blue Goose	100	E. Meadowlark	2
duck (sp)	300	Red-winged Blackbird	10
Sharp-shinned Hawk	1		
Am. Kestrel	3	Brewer's Blackbird	1
Clapper Rail	1	Boat-tailed Grackle	100
Am. Avocet	200	Seaside Sparrow	2
Killdeer	1	Swamp Sparrow	1
Black-bellied Plover	15		
Whimbrel	2		
Long-billed Curlew	1		
Willet	10		
Ruddy Turnstone	25		
Sanderling	20		
Semipalmated Sandpiper	1		
Least Sandpiper	5		
Dunlin	5		
Herring Gull	15		
Ring-billed Gull	200		
Laughing Gull	1000		
Forster's Tern	200		
Royal Tern	100+		
Caspian Tern	10		
Black Skimmer	500		
Belted Kingfisher	4		
Tree Swallow	1		
N. Mockingbird	2		



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Nov. 24

Area: Cameron East Jetty; Peveto Beach Woods; "Smith's" Woods (just east of Johnson's Bayou Rec. Center); marshes west of Smith's Woods; Johnson's Bayou Woods; roads Time: 0650 - 1730 Observers: Linda Hale  
Wind: 0 Temp: 70-75 Sky: overcast

Species: Pied-billed Grebe	14	Caspian Tern	10
White Pelican	15	Black Skimmer	50
Neotropic Cormorant	10	Mourning Dove	10
Great Blue Heron	30	Belted Kingfisher	7
Little Blue Heron	3	Common Flicker	6
Cattle Egret	10	Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	3
Great Egret	85	Eastern Phoebe	2
Snowy Egret	50	Tree Swallow	10
Louisiana Heron	4	Blue Jay	4
Black-crowned Night Heron	1	Brown Creeper	1
Plegadis (sp)	500	House Wren	10
White Ibis	3	N. Mockingbird	3
White-fronted Goose	20	Brown Thrasher	8
Snow/Blue Goose	200	Am. Robin	1
Mallard	2	Hermit Thrush	1
Mottled Duck	10	Ruby-crowned Kinglet	13
Gadwall	2	Water Pipit	5
N. Pintail	1	Loggerhead Shrike	12
Green-winged Teal	5	Eur. Starling	150
N. Shoveler	10	Orange-crowned Warbler	5
Am. Wigeon	10	Myrtle Warbler	2
scaup (sp)	500	Am. Redstart	10
Red-tailed Hawk	4	Com. Yellowthroat	3
Red-shouldered Hawk	1	House Sparrow	25
No. Harrier	6	E. Meadowlark	75
Am. Kestrel	9	Red-winged Blackbird	606
Am. Coot	10	<u>Bullock's Oriole</u>	1 ad. ♂
Black-necked Stilt	5	Boat-tailed Grackle	350
Am. Avocet	5	Red Cardinal	6
Semipalmated Plover	1	Rose-breasted Grosbeak	10
Killdeer	15	<u>Indigo Bunting</u>	10
Black-bellied Plover	30	Savannah Sparrow	5
Long-billed Curlew	1	Lincoln's Sparrow	2
Greater Yellowlegs	8	Swamp Sparrow	7
Lesser Yellowlegs	4	Song Sparrow	1
Willet	20		
Ruddy Turnstone	2		
Common Snipe	50		
American Woodcock	3		
Short-billed Dowitcher	5		
Long-billed Dowitcher	150		
Sanderling	100		
Western Sandpiper	5		
Least Sandpiper	5		
Dunlin	100		
Herring Gull	10		
Ring-billed Gull	150		
Laughing Gull	1000		
Forster's Tern	100		
Royal Tern	100		



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Nov. 25

Area: Cameron East Jetty; Rutherford Beach area; Rockefeller NWR; roads

Time: 0700 - 1200 Observers: Linda Hale Wind: 0-5 S

Sky: low overcast Temp: 65-75

Species: Fared Grebe	2	Sanderling	30
Pied-billed Grebe	10	West. Sandpiper	300
Am. White Pelican	100	Least Sandpiper	5
Double-crested Cormorant	5	Dunlin	225
Neotropic Cormorant	100	Herring Gull	30
Great Blue Heron	45	Ring-billed Gull	200
Green Heron	1	Laughing Gull	1300
Little Blue Heron	1	Forster's Tern	150
Cattle Egret	2	Royal Tern	30
Reddish Egret	2	Caspian Tern	60
Great Egret	130	Black Skimmer	175
Snowy Egret	50	Belted Kingfisher	3
Louisiana Heron	2	Fish Crow	5
Black-crowned Night Heron	1	Sedge Wren	3
Am. Bittern	2	Loggerhead Shrike	8
Plegadis (sp)	2	Eur. Starling	200
White Ibis	8	E. Meadowlark	15
Roseate Spoonbill	1	Red-winged Blackbird	350
Canada Goose (feral)	100	Great-tailed Grackle	1
White-fronted Goose	2	Boat-tailed Grackle	225
Snow/Blue Goose	40	Savannah Sparrow	12
Mallard	200	Sharp-tailed Sparrow	5
Mottled Duck	6	Water Pipit	4
Gadwall	200	Cardinal	1
N. Pintail	1000	Blue Jay	1
Green-winged Teal	400		
Blue-winged Teal	4		
N. Shoveler	500		
Am. Wigeon	5		
Canvasback	2		
Greater Scaup	4		
Lesser Scaup	5		
Bufflehead	3		
Ruddy Duck	10		
Red-breasted Merganser	9		
Red-tailed Hawk	2		
Am. Harrier	2		
Am. Kestrel	2		
Clapper Rail	7		
Sora	1		
Am. Coot	15		
Black-necked Stilt	7		
Am. Avocet	30		
Killdeer	5		
Piping Plover	10		
Black-bellied Plover	20		
Greater Yellowlegs	4		
Willet	40		
Com Snipe	150		
Long-billed Dowitcher	200		
Red Knot	25		



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### Avery Island, Iberia Par.

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Area: walked over much of the "Jungle Gardens" and spent 45 minutes at the Bird Island lookout tower Time: 1345-1630 Observer: Linda Hale

Wind: 0 Temp: 70 Sky: overcast

<u>Species</u> : Little Blue Heron	15	Common Crow	30
Snowy Egret	30	Fish Crow	100
Cattle Egret	1	House Wren	2
Louisiana Heron	2	Brown Thrasher	2
Blue-winged Teal	50	Ruby-crowned Kinglet	2
Turkey Vulture	15	Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	1
Black Vulture	2	Myrtle Warbler	5
Red-shouldered Hawk	1	Orange-crowned Warbler	3
Com. Gallinule	50	Wilson's Warbler	1
Am. Coot	15	Boat-tailed Grackle	5
Killdeer	2	White-throated Sparrow	2
Yellow-shafted Flicker	1	Red-bellied Woodpecker	1
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	3	Cardinal	2
Eastern Phoebe	1	Belted Kingfisher	1
Blue Jay	2	Cedar Waxwing	2

Comments: The Jungle Garden area looks good for wintering vagrants - huge live oaks and dense thickets, numerous ponds, exotic plants - but birds were strikingly scarce.

### Nov. 26 Denham Springs, Livingston Par

Area: walked down an overgrown old road NE of Denham Spgs in a mixed woods - meadow - thicket situation Time: 0950-1145

Observer: Linda Hale Wind: 10-15 S Sky: p.c. Temp: 65-70

<u>Species</u> : Killdeer	1 (over)	Com. Yellowthroat	2
Yellow-shafted Flicker	1	Rufous-sided Towhee	1
Com. Crow	5	White-throated Sparrow	5
Carolina Chickadee	2	Swamp Sparrow	1
Winter Wren	1		
House Wren	3		
N. Mockingbird	1		
Am. Robin	1		
Myrtle Warbler	2		

### Dec. 14 4815 Kendall, New Orleans, Louisiana (Robert Raether home):

Buff-bellied Hummingbird 2  
Black-chinned Hummingbird 2 (1 im. ♂, 1 ♀)  
Rufous Hummingbird 1 (ident. assumed)

### 45th St. New Orleans: (Nancy Newfield home):

Broad-tailed Hummingbird 1 im. ♂  
Black-chinned Hummingbird 2  
Rufous Hummingbird 2 im. ♂

### Dec. 16 Cameron Area, Cameron Parish, Louisiana (Sabine CBC)

Area: East Jetty (walked out to within 200 yds of tip 0700-1000); East Jetty Beach & East Jetty Rd (1000-1200); Mrs. Kossyn's house in Cameron (1300-1400); Broussard Beach area (1400-1530); East Jetty Woods (15:30-1645); East Jetty (1700-1745). Observer: Linda Hale; PM - Ron Stein, Melvin Weber. Temp: 60-75 Wind: 0-5 Sky: low overcast, fog, intermittent rain until noon; clear in afternoon Tide: Low at 0900



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## Cameron area [cont]

Species: Fared Grebe

White Pelican	130	Belted Kingfisher	6
Great Blue Heron	30	Yellow-shafted Flicker	4
Great Egret	7	Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	3
Snowy Egret	12	Eastern Phoebe	1
Black-crowned Night Heron	2	Blue Jay	10
Gr. White-fronted Goose	2	Red-breasted Nuthatch	2
Snow Goose	250	House Wren	5
Green-winged Teal	12	N. Mockingbird	10
N. Shoveler	15	Brown Thrasher	6
Am. Wigeon	1	Am. Robin	15
Ring-necked Duck	2	Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	10
Lesser Scaup	7	Water Pipit	10
Ruddy Duck	4	Loggerhead Shrike	8
Red-breasted Merganser	1	Eur. Starling	1000
Sharp-shinned Hawk	1 ad.	Solitary Vireo	2
Red-tailed Hawk	6	Orange-crowned Warbler	1
Marsh Hawk	5	Myrtle Warbler	30
Am. Kestrel	5	House Sparrow	15
Com. Bobwhite	20	E. Meadowlark	10
Clapper Rail	8	Red-winged Blackbird	500
Biping Plover	6	Boat-tailed Grackle	35
Killdeer	9	Red Cardinal	6
Black-bellied Plover	40	Savannah Sparrow	35
Long-billed Curlew	50	Grasshopper Sparrow	2
Willet	50	Seaside Sparrow	7
Greater Yellowlegs	2	Field Sparrow	1
Spotted Sandpiper	2	Chipping Sparrow	5
Ruddy Turnstone	20	White-throated Sparrow	30
Dunlin	700	Harris' Sparrow	1
Western Sandpiper	25	White-crowned Sparrow	2
Least Sandpiper	35	Swamp Sparrow	10
Sanderling	75	Lincoln's Sparrow	4
Common Snipe	3	Song Sparrow	1
Am. Avocet	50		
Herring Gull	14		
Ring-billed Gull	175		
Laughing Gull	2000		
Bonaparte's Gull	60		
Caspian Tern	10		
Royal Tern	10		
Forster's Tern	225		
Common Tern	1		
Groote-billed Ani	13		

Comments: low overcast and rain made the walk out the jolly extremely unproductive

Dec. 17

## St. Mary's Parish, Louisiana

Area: length of parish on Hwy 90; side trips to Cypressmont Et and (Not really birding - mostly looking from road)

Time: 0920-1330 Observers: Linda Hale Wind: 10-30 N

Sky: clear Temp: 45-60

Species: Lesser Scaup	500	Marsh Hawk	2
Bufflehead	1	Am. Kestrel	8
Turkey Vulture	2	Am. Coot	2
Red-tailed Hawk	6	Great Egret	1
Snowy Egret	1	Cattle Egret	1



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### St. Mary's Parish [cont]

Dec. 17 [cont]	Herring Gull	1	Eur. Starling	100
	Ring-billed Gull	20	Orange-crowned Warbler	1
	Caspian Tern	1	Myrtle Warbler	8
	Forster's Tern	30	Red-winged Blackbird	100
	Belted Kingfisher	2	Red Cardinal	3
	Red-bellied Woodpecker	1	Savannah Sparrow	1
	Hairy Woodpecker	1	Slate-colored Junco	2
	Downy Woodpecker	1	White-throated Sparrow	1
	Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	1	Boat-tailed Grackle	3
	Eastern Phoebe	1	Ruby-crowned Kinglet	3
	Tree Swallow	60	Red-breasted Nuthatch	1
	crow (sp)	5	Am. Goldfinch	2
	Cardinal Chickadee	2	Am. Woodcock	1
	House Wren	1	Red-shouldered Hawk	1
	N. Mockingbird	2		
	Am. Robin	10		
	Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	5		
	Loggerhead Shrike	7		

### University Lake, E. Baton Rouge Par, Louisiana

Time: 1600-1640

Observer: Linda Hale

Species: Pied-billed Grebe	50	Mourning Dove	3
Great Egret	4	Red-headed Woodpecker	1
Redhead	18	Tree Swallow	10
Ring-necked Duck	40	Blue Jay	1
Lesser Scaup	240	Com. Grackle	1
Canvasback	3		
Ruddy Duck	500		

Dec. 21

### Sloan's Lake, Jefferson Co. Colo.

Time: 1530-1600

Water: 99% frozen

Observer: Linda Hale

Species: Canada Goose	400	Am. Coot	1
Mallard	200	Ring-billed Gull	25
Gadwall	15	Rock Dove	10
N. Shoveler	430		
Com Goldeneye	37		

### Barr Lake State Park, Adams Co. Colo.

Area: walked in from south side and walked as far north as the herony  
on S. shore Time: 1030-1230 Wind: 0-55 Temp: 40-50

Sky: clear Observer: Linda Hale

Species: Pied-billed Grebe	1	Great Horned Owl	2
Canada Goose	400	Com. Flicker	2
Mallard	10,000	Hairy Woodpecker	2
N. Pintail	500	Downy Woodpecker	3
Am. Wigeon	2	Horned Lark	5
Com. Goldeneye	5	Black-billed Magpie	25
Com. Merganser	3	Black-capped Chickadee	4
Red-tailed Hawk	1	Brown Creeper	1
Bald Eagle	7	Eur. Starling	10
N. Harrier	3	W. Meadowlark	10
Am. Nestrel	2	House Sparrow	50
Ring-necked Pheasant	1	Red-winged Blackbird	100
Herring Gull	2	House Finch	20



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Am. Goldfinch	2	Song Sparrow	6
Tree Sparrow	60	+ Burkle - Tower Rd	
Dark-eyed Junco	10	Ferruginous Hawk	1
White-crowned Sparrow	1		

Dec. 27

## Wet Mountain Valley, Custer Co., Colo (Westcliffe CBC)

Area: towns of Westcliffe and Silver Cliff; farmlands & ranchlands of the valley; conifer-aspen woodlands around periphery of valley. Time: 0700-1500; 1530-1700 Wind: 0-5

Sky: clear Temp: -10 to +10 Observers: Laurence C. Binford, Bob Andrews

Species: Mallard	16	Eur. Starling	90 <del>425</del>
N. Goshawk	1 im.	House Sparrow	550
Rough-legged Hawk	2 <del>4</del>	W. Meadowlark	1
(Bald Eagle - 1 - LCB)		Common Grackle	1
Prairie Falcon	1	Pine Grosbeak	2
Am. Kestrel	1	Gray-crowned Rosy Finch	4
Belted Kingfisher	39 <del>1</del>	Black Rosy Finch	1
(Com. Flicker - 1 - LCB)		Brown-capped Rosy Finch	115
Hairy Woodpecker	3	Dark-eyed Junco	3
Downy Woodpecker	2	Lapland Longspur	1
N. Three-toed Woodpecker	1		
Horned Lark	35		
Steller's Jay	7		
Black-billed Magpie	64		
Com. Raven	29	Com Crow	46
Black-capped Chickadee	4	Clark's Nutcracker	1
Mountain Chickadee	16 <del>7</del>		
White-breasted Nuthatch	7 <del>4</del>		
Pygmy Nuthatch	7		
Northern Shrike	1 im.		

Dec. 30

## Boulder area, Boulder Co., Colo

Area: CU. campus; w. side suburbs - Chatanooga; Valmont Res. (visibility reduced due to steam) Time: 0720-1000 Observers: Steve Larson

Wind: 0 Sky: clear Temp: -10 to -5

Species: Canada Goose	3006	House Finch	30
Mallard	50	Dark-eyed Junco	4
Com. Goldeneye	4	Gray-headed Junco	6
Am. Coot	1	White-throated Sparrow	1
Belted Kingfisher	1		
Com. Flicker	1		
Hairy Woodpecker	1		
Horned Lark	200		
Blue Jay	1		
Steller's Jay	4		
Black-billed Magpie	6		
Black-capped Chickadee	4		
Am. Dipper	2		
Am. Robin	6	Townsend's Solitaire	1
Golden-crowned Kinglet	2		
Bohemian Waxwing	20		
Eur. Starling	30		
House Sparrow	50		
Cassin's Finch	20		



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### Pueblo West, Pueblo Co, Colo

Dec. 31

Area: Pueblo Reservoir; piñon-juniper woods nr. reservoir; roads

Time: 0730-0900; 1530-1600 Observers: L.C. Binford, Jack Reddall,

Van Truan Wind: 0-10 Sky: <sup>low</sup>overcast Temp: 0-10° Water: 25% open

<u>Species</u> : Mallard	1	Com. Raven	1
Am. Wigeon	2	Black-billed Magpie	5
Ring-necked Duck	40	Horned Lark	50
Com. Goldeneye	6	Am. Goldfinch	4
Am. Coot	25	Pine Siskin	100
Herring Gull	3	Slate-colored Junco	1
gull (sp)	40	Oregon Junco	25
Great Horned Owl	1	White-winged Junco	2
Scrub Jay	1	Tree Sparrow	5
Plain Titmouse	1		

### Pueblo to Rocky Ford, Colorado

Area: Hwy 50 to Rocky Ford, Sugar City, Cheraw - birding from road;

walk for ~ 2 hrs around Rocky Ford Game Area Time: 0900-1500

Weather: same Observers: same

<u>Species</u> : Canada Goose	100	Mountain Chickadee	3
Mallard	30	Brown Thrasher	1
Com. Merganser	1	Am. Robin	2
Sharp-shinned Hawk	2	Northern Shrike	4
Cooper's Hawk	2	Loggerhead Shrike	1
Red-tailed Hawk	13	Eur. Starling	450
Buteo (sp)	5	House Sparrow	385
Rough-legged Hawk	9	W. Meadowlark	92
Ferruginous Hawk	2	Red-winged Blackbird	125
Northern Harrier	11	House Finch	2
Prairie Falcon	3	Am. Goldfinch	45
Am. Nighthawk	33	Rufous-sided Towhee (Spotted)	3
Am. Coot	1	Oregon Junco	25
Killdeer	1	Slate-colored Junco	7
Rock Dove	81	Tree Sparrow	62
Mourning Dove	2	White-crowned Sparrow	34
Com. Flicker	23	(Swamp Sparrow - 1-LCB)	
Lewis' Woodpecker	1	Song Sparrow	12
Downy Woodpecker	1		
Horned Lark	110		
Blue Jay	4		
Scrub Jay	4		
Black-billed Magpie	64		
Com. Crow	3		
Black-capped Chickadee	6		

### Dec. 29 Sloan's Lake, <sup>Denver</sup> Jefferson Co, Colo

Canada Goose	350
Mallard	250
N. Shoveler	400
Com. Goldeneye	24
Am. Coot	4
Ring-billed Gull	48
Herring Gull	1
Rock Dove	40







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Yellow-billed Loon  
Gavia adamsii

Feb. 12 Monterey Bay boat trip, Monterey Co. Calif.: 1 seen within 1 mile of shore between Hopkins Marine Station and Lover's Point. I was going over loon identification with a beginner when the bird appeared conveniently next to a Common Loon just studied. It was the basic size and shape of a Common Loon but seemed larger, longer-billed, and thicker-necked. The bill was distinctly yellow, not pale grayish as in pale-billed Commons; the distal  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the upper mandible seemed particularly yellow; the culmen was clearly seen to be pale for at least the distal  $\frac{1}{2}$  (S.F. Bailey from the bridge was able to see that it was pale for its entire length); the rest of the bill was dull yellowish except for some dusky on the sides of the basal  $\frac{1}{3}$  of the upper mandible; the upper mandible was very straight except for a slight droop at the tip; there was a noticeable gap between the two mandibles when viewed from the side. The rest of the plumage did not appear to differ noticeably from Common Loon (perhaps closer study without pouring rain and wind would have yielded further differences), except that there was a dark smudge in the quercular area which contrasted with a paler brown facial area. The bill was also held at a slightly upward angle. When flushed, the bird seemed very ponderous - very slow, labored wingbeats and large body. It dove and came up hundreds of yards from the original spot, repeated this 2-3 times, and finally eluded us completely; it was able to stay underwater for very long intervals.

The bird was studied from as close as 40 yards (but more often 50-100 yds) for at least 3-4 minutes



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Yellow-billed Loon

Gavia adamsii

Monterey Bay boat trip [cont]

Feb. 12 of critical observation, but soon after became decidedly  
[cont] uncooperative.



The only other large-billed loon, the Common, has an all dark culmen, lacks the auricular patch, when the bill is pale it is grayish not yellow, etc.



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Red-throated Loon

Gavia stellata

Apr. 25 Cuyamaca Lake, San Diego Co., Calif.: 1 - very unusual  
locality. Small loon with pale back and crown, eye in white of  
face, small bill upturned.







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Horned Grebe  
Podiceps auritus

June 2 Pt. Reyes, Marin Co., Calif.: 1 in full breeding plumage with  
Surf Scoters at Fish Docks. Very late or summering







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Black-footed Albatross

Diomedea nigripes

March 31 Pigeon Point, San Mateo Co., Calif.: 6 seen behind  
freighters (3 + 1 w/o albatrosses) going north along coast

July 12 Boat trip to Farallon Islands, San Francisco Co., Calif.: 1 flew  
past our sailboat ~ 4 mi. E of Farallons.







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Pink-footed Shearwater

Puffinus creatopus

Jan. 14 Monterey Bay boat trip, Monterey Co., Calif.: 3 - extremely unusual in winter, but there have been several reports recently on Christmas Counts. Flying with Manx for direct comparison.

March 31 Pigeon Point, San Mateo Co., Calif.: 1 → S







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Manx Shearwater  
Puffinus puffinus

- Jan. 5 Monterey area, Monterey Co. Calif.: 2 - moving west past Pt. Pinos - small shearwater with rapid wingbeat, very dark above, pale below.
- Jan. 14 Monterey Bay boat trip, Monterey Co. Calif.: 6 - amazing for winter in Monterey Bay, but numbers were extraordinary last 2 months of '76.
- March 31 Pigeon Point, San Mateo Co., Calif.: 1 → S, fairly close to shore; rapid wingbeat, small size







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Ashy Storm-Petrel  
Oceanodroma homochroa

July 12 San Francisco Bay, Alameda Co., Calif.: 1 seen < 20 ft.  
From boat about 1 mile outside Berkeley marinas.  
Flushed off the water, whence it flew off in the direction  
of the abandoned pier. Clearly a medium-sized  
all dark petrel - all dark rump and forked tail -  
gestalt of Ashy, not Leach's. Amazing record  
inside S.F. Bay.







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Black Storm-Petrel

Oceanodroma melania

Apr. 29 Pt. Loma, San Diego Co., Calif. : 100 < 1 mi from shore -  
unusual so close to land.







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Reddish Egret  
Egretta rufescens

Apr. 25 San Diego area, San Diego Co., Calif.: 1 at mouth of  
San Diego river - present here since Oct. 1977.







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Cattle Egret  
Bubulcys ibis

Feb. 25 Arcata, Humboldt Co., Calif.: 10 in Arcata Bottoms





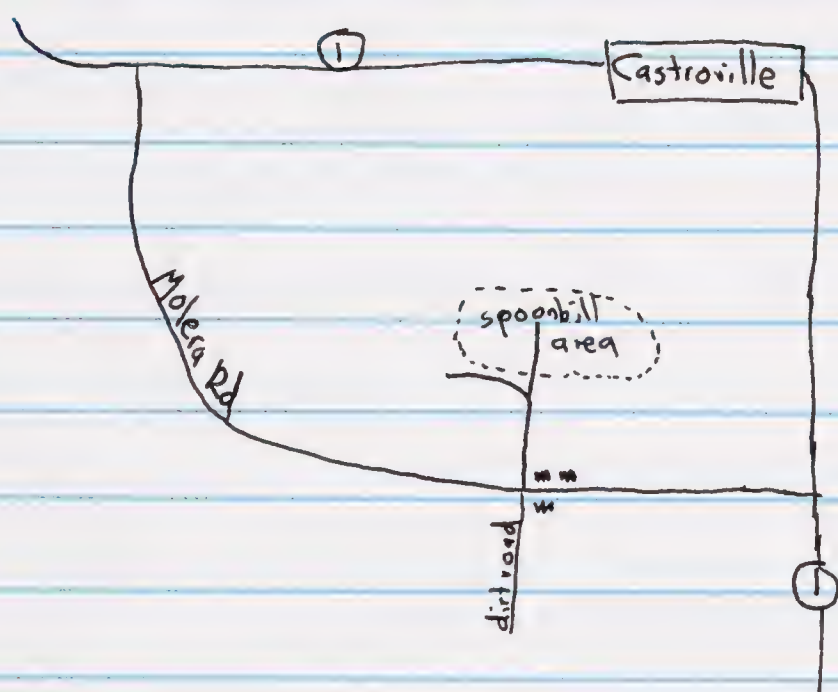


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# Roseate Spoonbill

Ajaia    ajaja

Jan. 14 Castroville, Monterey Co., Calif.: 1 imm/sub.-ad. in flooded artichoke fields between Molera Rd. and Castroville where it has been for 2 weeks. Obvious spoon-tipped broad bill, wings mostly pink with hint of dark tip; head seemed mostly white.









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Black Brant  
Branta bernicla nigricans

Apr. 27 North End Salton Sea, Riverside Co., Calif : 3 - rare but  
regular at Salton Sea in spring.

Apr. 29 North End Salton Sea : 6







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Emperor Goose  
Branta canadica

Jan. 1 Point Reyes, Marin Co., Calif.: 3 in ad. plumage at  
E. end of Limantour Estero. Watched for 20 minutes  
through telescopes from edge of parking area. Head  
and neck white; throat solid black, breaking up into black  
and gray barring on neck; bill pinkish, short, very  
triangular; underparts black and gray barred; upperparts  
similar but greater distance between black bars; legs  
bright orange-yellow; tail white.





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Snow Goose  
Chen caerulescens

Apr. 27 North End Salton Sea, Riverside Co., Calif.: 11 - extremely late. All birds apparently can fly.

Apr. 29 North End Salton Sea: 10 (1 of the birds on 27 Apr. was almost certainly a Ross).





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Ross' Goose  
Chen rossi

Apr. 29 North End Salton Sea, Riverside Co., Calif.: 1 with 10 Snow Geese  
at mouth of Whitewater River - late, and few records for  
Riverside Co.





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Eurasian Wigeon

Anas penelope

Jan. 3 Golden Gate Park, San Francisco Co., Calif. : 1 ♂ - Elk Glen  
Lake





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Wood Duck  
Aix sponsa

Jan. 3 Golden Gate Park, San Francisco Co., Calif. : 17





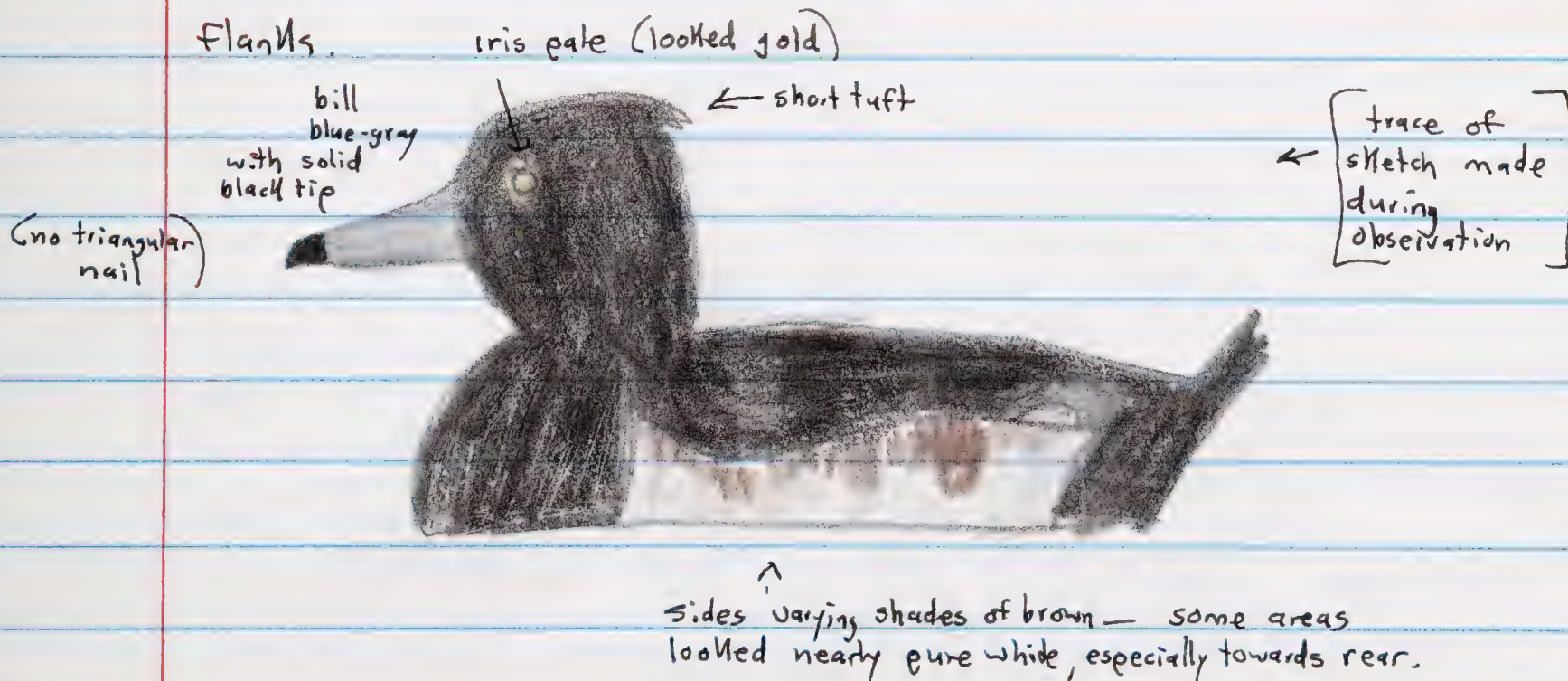
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Tufted Duck  
Aythya fuligula

Jan. 2 Lake Merritt, Alameda Co., Calif.: 1 ♂ at eastern end of lake where it has been for 2+ months. Tuft is much less prominent now than when I saw the bird in late October

Jan. 3 Lake Merritt: 1 ♂ (same bird)

Feb. 8 Point Reyes, Marin Co., Calif.: 1 imm. ♂ in freshwater pond next to road just S. of parking lot. In addition to a very small tuft, the entire bill tip was black and the back was a very uniform blackish-brown, probably darker than most scaup. [this combination eliminating scaup]. The head was more or less scaup-shaped [eliminating Ring-necked Duck]. The bird was thought to be an imm. ♂ due to the presence of some patches of white feathers along flanks.



The bird was studied for 15 minutes with a scope, but high winds made precise accuracy of details hard to note. The bird looked about the same size as a nearby Lesser Scaup, although this bird's bill looked proportionately larger. This is almost certainly the same bird found here early in January by Rich Stallcup and at that time showed no traces of male plumage.





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Greater Scaup  
Aythya marila

Apr. 25 San Diego area, San Diego Co., Calif.: 3♂ + 1♀ on San Diego bay just N. of e. end of Coronado Bridge, where they were discovered weeks ago. large bill nail, rounded heads.

Apr. 29 San Diego area: 4 (same birds)





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Barrow's Goldeneye  
Bucephala islandica

Jan. 2 LaHe Merritt, Alameda Co., Calif.: 1 ♀

Jan. 3 Pacific Marina, Alameda, Alameda Co., Calif.: 4 ♂♂





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Bufflehead  
Bucephala albeola

June 18 Palace of Fine Arts, San Francisco, San Francisco Co., Calif. : 1  
on the lake - a ratty-looking ♂, apparently summering





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Harlequin Duck  
Histrionicus histrionicus

Jan. 14 Monterey area, Monterey Co., Calif. : 1♂ at rocks at Hopkins Marine Station — few records for Monterey Co. We watched it both from the boat inshore and for 5-10 minutes from shore at close range at Hopkins.





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Surf Scoter  
Melanitta perspicillata

Apr. 25 Cuyamaca Lake, San Diego Co., Calif.: 1 ♀<sup>3 ad ♂</sup>; very rare inland,  
especially away from Salton Sea.

Apr. 29 Cuyamaca Lake: 10





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Black Scoter  
Melanitta nigra

Jan. 14 Monterey area, Monterey Co., Calif. : 1♂ - Hopkins Marine Station

Jan. 21 Bodega Bay, Sonoma Co., Calif. : 1♀

Apr. 29 Playa del Rey, Los Angeles Co., Calif. : 1 im. ♂





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Hooded Merganser  
Mergus cucullatus

Jan. 21 Pt. Reyes, Marin Co., Calif.: 1♂ + 3♀ - Fine Brooks Stables

Mar. 18 Pt. Reyes: 1♂ + 3♀ (same birds, same place)





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Sharp-shinned Hawk  
Accipiter striatus

Apr. 29 Banner Grade, San Diego Co., Calif. : 2 soaring together  
above riparian. Very late for migrants - nesting?

Oct. 29 Gum Cove, Cameron Parish, Louisiana : 1

Nov. 23 Cameron Par., Louisiana : 1

Dec. 16 Cameron area, Cameron Par., Louis. : 1 ad

Dec. 29 7160 W. 9th Pl., Lakewood, Jefferson Co., Colo : 1 ad.

Dec. 31 Pueblo to Rocky Ford, Colo : 2





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Swainson's Hawk  
Buteo swainsoni

Apr. 29 Borrego Valley, San Diego Co., Calif. : 3 - late migrants.





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Rough-legged Hawk  
Buteo lagopus

- Jan. 1 Point Reyes, Marin Co., Calif.: 1 - Limantour Estero
- Jan. 14 Castroville, Monterey Co., Calif.: 7 counted in air at once between  
Molera Rd. and Castroville in artichoke fields
- Feb. 25 Arcata, Humboldt Co., Calif.: 5 in Arcata Bottoms - (1 dark phase)





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Golden Eagle  
Aquila chrysaetos

Jan. 19 Three Rivers, Tulare Co., Calif. : 2 ad.

Apr. 25 LaMe Cuyamaca, San Diego Co., Calif. : 1

Apr. 29 Banner Grade, San Diego Co. : 2

LaMe Cuyamaca : 1





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Bald Eagle  
Haliaeetus leucocephalus

Jan. 19 Bravo Lake, Woodlake, Tulare Co., Calif.: 1 ad.

Dec. 21 Barr Lake St. Park, Adams Co., Colo.: 7 im.





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Peregrine Falcon  
Falco peregrinus

Feb. 25 Arcata, Humboldt Co., Calif. : 1 imm. at mouth of  
Jacoby Creek.

Apr. 25 San Diego area, San Diego Co., Calif. : 1 - San Diego R. channel





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Merlin  
Falco columbarius

Feb. 25 Arcata, Humboldt Co. Calif. : 1 at mouth of Jacoby  
Creek.

Oct. 28 Cameron Parish, Louisiana : 1 at Sabine NWR, 1 nr. Holly Beach

Oct. 29 Gum Cove, Cameron Parish, Louis. : 1





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California Quail  
Lophortyx californica

June 2 Pt. Reyes, Marin Co., Calif: 1 heard calling (definitely not a Starling) in draw w. of Nunes Ranch — this is much further out on Pt. Reyes than I've ever seen this species. Perhaps this year's heavy rains and consequent lush growth encouraged the expansion of the quail.





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Black Oystercatcher  
Haematopus bachmani

Apr. 29 Pt. Loma, San Diego Co., Calif. : 1 - very few records for  
San Diego Co.. This bird has been seen off and on for  
a couple of months

Playa del Rey, Los Angeles Co., Calif. : 1 - heard at night  
on outer breakwater.





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Ruddy Turnstone  
Arenaria interpres

Apr. 29 North End Salton Sea, Riverside Co., Calif.: 10 - very rare inland.

All in full breeding plumage

Salton City, Imperial Co., Calif.: 1





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1978

Lesser Yellowlegs  
Tringa flavipes

Feb. 12 Castroville Sewage Pond, Monterey Co., Calif.: 1

Apr. 25 San Diego area, San Diego Co., Calif.: 1 - Silver Strand





Remsen,  
J.V.  
1978

Red Knot  
Calidris canutus

Apr. 27 North End Salton Sea, Riverside Co., Calif. : 3 breeding plumage

Salton City, Imperial Co., Calif. : 50 - [45 breeding plumage]

Apr. 29 North End Salton Sea, Riverside Co. : 50 - unusual inland

Salton City : 30





Remsen,  
J.V.  
1978

Rock Sandpiper  
Calidris ptilocnemis

Jan. 21 Bodega Bay, Sonoma Co., Calif. : 2 - Bodega Head parking lot





Remsen,  
J.V.  
1978

White-rumped Sandpiper  
Calidris fusca

June 3 Monterey area, Monterey Co., Calif.: 1 at the mouth of the Carmel River where found yesterday evening by Jeri Langham. We arrived at dawn and watched the bird feeding on the small mudflat for an hour and a half through scopes from 50 to 200 ft. In overall size and shape, the bird seemed identical to a Baird's Sandpiper: a large peep with noticeably long wings and a seemingly long body. This bird also seemed very fat when viewed head-on - almost turtle-like in shape:



head-on view to  
show "squat" profile



The above sketches were traced from sketches made while watching the bird through the scope. The bill, legs, and iris were blackish. A dark loreal area and dark, striped crown set

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J.V.  
1978

White-rumped Sandpiper  
Calidris fuscicollis

Monterey area [cont]

June 3 off a white eyebrow. The face was a pale grayish with  
[cont] the palest area in the lower cheek area. The breast  
was strongly striped<sup>brownish gray</sup>, like a Pectoral Sandpiper except  
that the background color between the stripes was white,  
not buff. The breast stripes ended abruptly and  
the remainder of the underparts were white, except  
for disintegrating stripes and spots along the  
sides to the upper flanks. The back was striped  
dark brown with some buffiness between stripes.  
The wings were brownish with many of the coverts  
dark-centered and pale-edged; the folded primaries  
appeared a solid dark brownish. In flight, the  
rump/uppertail coverts area was white and the tail  
was dark. That the rump was completely white was  
clearly seen twice in flight and also once when  
preening the rump area.

The white rump eliminates any other small shorebird  
except 3 species which have longer legs and bills  
and are larger in body size (plus many other major  
and minor differences): Curlew Sandpiper, Wilson's Phalarope,  
Stilt Sandpiper. The only species remotely similar in  
shape, Curlew Sandpiper, lacks conspicuous breast streaks  
and has a decurved bill. The call note of the Curlew  
Sandpiper is not unlike other Calidris whereas the  
distinctive call of the White-rumped is unique among  
shorebirds - I'm familiar with both. The Carmel bird gave  
a call totally unlike that given by any shorebird I've ever heard - a  
very high-pitched squeal similar to call note of Costa's Hummingbird.



Remsen,  
J.V.  
1978

Ruff  
Philomachus eugnax

Jan. 5 Monterey area, Monterey Co. Calif.: 1 ♂ in rocky intertidal  
~ 1/2 mile S of Pt. Pinos off Sunset Dr. — a  
large, chunky shorebird with very long, bright orange legs.  
Oval white patches on sides of base of tail very  
conspicuous in flight; bill dark, size and shape of  
Greater Yellowlegs more or less; upperparts grayish-brown  
with each feather on the back thinly margined with pale  
buffy; front part of face whitish; indistinct eye-line;  
underparts grayish-white. Present here for 1+ week —  
Found on Monterey CBC by Parmeters.



Black Turnstone in background

Ruff 5 January 1978 nr. Pt. Piños, Monterey Co, Calif.



Ruff 5 January 1978

nr. Pt. Pinos, Monterey Co., Calif.



Remsen,  
J.V.  
1978

Black Skimmer

Rynchops nigra

July 20 Alvarado salt ponds, Alameda Co., Calif: 1 with Caspian Tern colony; found here this afternoon by Dick Erickson. Mobbed us, with the Caspian Terns, as if it were defending the colony. Fantastic views as close as 30 ft. Photographs should obviate necessity of further description:





Remsen,  
J.V.  
1978

Glaucous-winged Gull

Larus glaucescens

Apr. 29 North End Salton Sea, Riverside Co., Calif.: 1 first-yr. -  
very rare in land. Wingtips pale brown,





Remsen,  
J.V.  
1978

Herring Gull  
Larus argentatus

Apr. 23 Cuyamaca Lake, San Diego Co., Calif. : 1 first-yr. bird -  
very unusual locality





Remsen,  
J.V.  
1978

Franklin's Gull  
Larus pipixcan

Apr. 29 North End Salton Sea, Riverside Co., Calif.: 1 ad. in full  
breeding plumage [pink tinge on belly, full blackish head]  
at mouth of Whitewater River





Remsen,  
J.V.  
1978

## Black-headed Gull

Larus ridibundus

Feb. 25 Arcata, Humboldt Co., Calif. : 1 ad. at Mad River Slough bridge in the Arcata Bottoms. This bird has been present for a week, but had been identified previously as a Franklin's Gull. Mike and John Parmeter found the bird last weekend and although they had identified it as a Franklin's at the time, they realized that evening that it was not a Franklin's after consulting literature. However several other people subsequently looked at the bird and had concluded it was a Franklin's.

When we arrived at the spot, Jon Dunn took one look at the bird sitting on the mud several hundred yards away in miserable, glare-plagued light and instantly called it a Black-headed Gull. Lacking Jon's recent extensive experience with this species in Europe (and Jon's field I.D. skills), I couldn't say it was a Black-headed for sure, but offered to swim across Mad River Slough if the bird was a Franklin's (or any other N. American gull). It was sitting on the mud with 3 Ring-billed Gulls and 3 Mew Gulls. It seemed to be smaller than a Ring-billed but larger than a Mew. The mantle color was virtually identical to that of the Ring-billed Gulls (pale gray), and definitely darker than the Mew Gulls; and so it could not be a Franklin's Gull, which has a very dark gray mantle, and should appear smaller than Mew.

While Jon went to find the other carloads of birders in the area, I stayed and studied the bird in much better light and at a closer distance (~200 yds) through the scope as it was swimming on the water. The shape of the bird

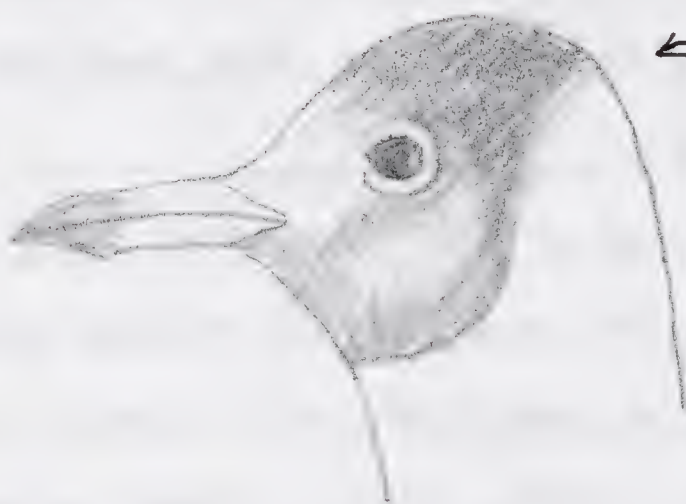


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1978

Black-headed Gull  
Larus ridibundus

Arcata [cont]

Feb. 25 was not right for Franklin's - the head was too  
[cont] small and pointed and the wings too long;  
the neck was too long and skinny - the whole  
bird just looked too long and tapering for Franklin's -  
which to me looks short-necked, round-headed, and  
stocky:



← the dark of the head  
arches upward sharply on  
the nape.

The head was mostly blackish gray, especially on  
the crown where it was darkest; the forehead and an  
area below the eye were still whitish - breeding plumage  
not yet complete. There was a white eye-ring, but I  
couldn't tell if it was complete. The bill was  
dark-tipped ~~but~~, basally dark orange-brown to reddish-  
brown depending on the light.

When everyone arrived, the bird was flushed and  
we were able to see the wing pattern from above and  
below. It was difficult to ascertain the exact  
pattern in the primaries in flight and so what follows  
should not be interpreted as 100% accurate - we never  
had what I consider a truly satisfactory study of  
the primary pattern. The wing pattern description also



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1978

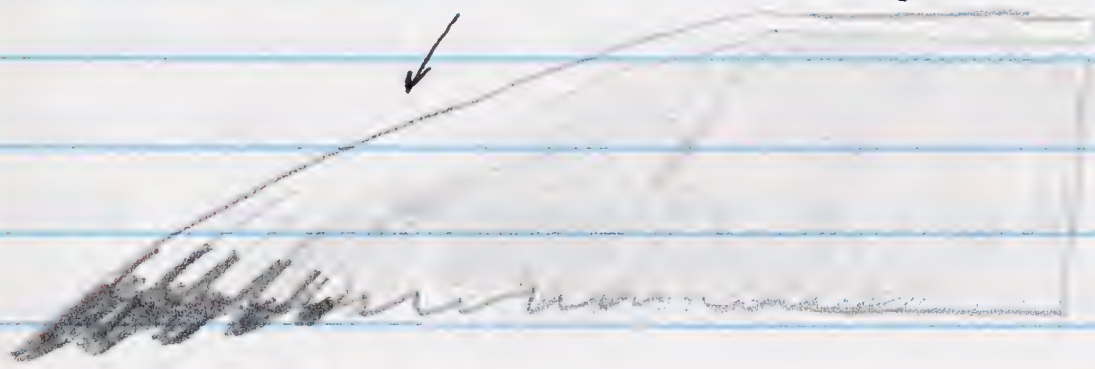
Black-headed Gull  
Larus ridibundus

Feb. 25 includes details seen when we returned late in the  
[cont] afternoon and watched the bird flying around the slough  
for 20 minutes, but never closer than 200 yds.

Upper wing

leading edge of wing white. This edge in the primaries  
was not as conspicuous as on Bonaparte's Gull or

field guide pictures  
of Black-headed



at least 5 outermost  
primaries were black-tipped

Underwing:

wing-linings whitish;  
rest of underwings  
dusky grayish.  
This contrast was  
not always apparent—  
only in good light



at least 5 outermost primaries  
were black-tipped; These primaries were also darker basally, darker than  
the rest of the dusky underwing

Also, when the bird was sitting on the water, the underside  
of the outermost primary could be seen when the bird was  
facing away from me, and it seemed to have a black  
border characteristic of ridibundus:







Remsen,  
J.V.  
1978

## Little Gull

Larus minutus

Feb. 25 Arcata, Humboldt Co., Calif.: 1 ad. was seen at the north edge of Eureka at the wood-scrap "sculpture" area along the shore of Humboldt Bay. It was watched as it fed at a distance out over Humboldt Bay for  $\frac{1}{2}$  hour and was studied as it perched on the shoreline for 3-4 minutes. It was almost always seen with 4 Bonaparte's Gulls, providing good comparisons. While resting with Bonaparte's, it slightly smaller and shorter-legged and the nape was darker. In flight, the blackish underwings were conspicuous, even as far as  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile away feeding out over Humboldt Bay. The underwings looked all blackish except for a narrow white border and a white tip. The upperwings were uniform gray with white tip. The wings appeared shorter and blunter in flight than Bonaparte's Gull. It foraged by flying 15-30 feet above the water, flying in a straight line, and suddenly wheeling and banking downward to the water surface, where it would alight momentarily and then resume cruising.

The small size and black underwings eliminate all other gulls in the world





Remsen,  
J.V.  
1978

Xantus' Murrelet  
Endomychura hypoleuca

Jan. 14 Monterey Bay boat trip, Monterey Co. Calif. : 2 - white below,  
uniform dark above (no contrasting gray back) - obviously  
Craver's / Xantus' types, but not seen well enough to eliminate  
Craver's with 100% certainty - but no dark projection  
into breast as in Craver's and Mike Parmeter said they  
had lots of white on underwings. Xantus' very rare in winter,  
but no records for Craver's.





Remsen,  
J.V.  
1978

White-winged Dove  
Zenaidura asiatica

Cameron Parish, Louisiana

Oct. 28 1 at Lake d'Arnaud Beach woods - watched for 5-10 minutes  
before flushed.





Remsen,  
J.V.  
1978

Inca Dove  
Scardafella inca

Cameron Parish, Louisiana

Oct. 28 Two at Pebedoux Beach Woods where studied for  
several minutes at 30 ft.





Remsen,  
J.V.  
1978

Groove-billed Ani  
Crotophaga sulcirostris

Dec. 16 Cameron area, Cameron Par., Louisiana 13 - E. Jelly Woods





Remsen,  
J.V.  
1978

Snowy Owl  
Nyctea scandiaca

Feb. 25 Arcata, Humboldt Co., Calif: 1 ♂ was studied for 20 minutes perched near the top of a spindly, tall conifer in a clump of trees in Manila bordering the coastal sand-dunes. An enormous white owl with brown barring over the entire lower breast and belly, and blackish-brown rows of markings over the entire wing surface and back. There were also a few dark flecks on the head above the eyes on the crown. The iris was yellow. The feet and toes were feathered white - no claws visible. The bird was sitting in the sun and fluttered its gular area at regular intervals; the wings were also slightly drooped and held outward from the body; the ventral feathers seemed slightly compressed - the bird seemed to be having a hard time in the torrid, windless 60° weather.

A brief study of skins at MUZ indicated our bird could have been an imm. ♂, ad. ♀, or perhaps imm. ♀. Fall imm. ♀s are more heavily barred - barring is broader and extends into breast.





Remsen,  
J.V.  
1978

Northern Saw-whet Owl

Aegolius acadicus

March 11

Coyote Hills Reg. Park, Alameda Co., Calif. : 1 sitting in small, dense ornamental tree on lawn at visitor center where it was found earlier this morning. It was approached to within a foot, as it slept on a small horizontal branch at the lower edge of the tree about 7 ft off the ground. It was perched about 2 feet in from the outer shell of the foliage. The tree had fairly dense foliage. This is almost certainly a migrant at this locality, which has only small patches of low trees and a few tall planted pines.

March 29

Coyote Hills : 2 birds in separate trees - same area.

Apr. 29

Mt. Palomar St. Park, San Diego Co., Calif. : 1 at entrance to Fry Creek Campground ; responded vigorously to imitations - it dove at me 3 times, coming within inches of my face - but we could never get a light on the perched bird.



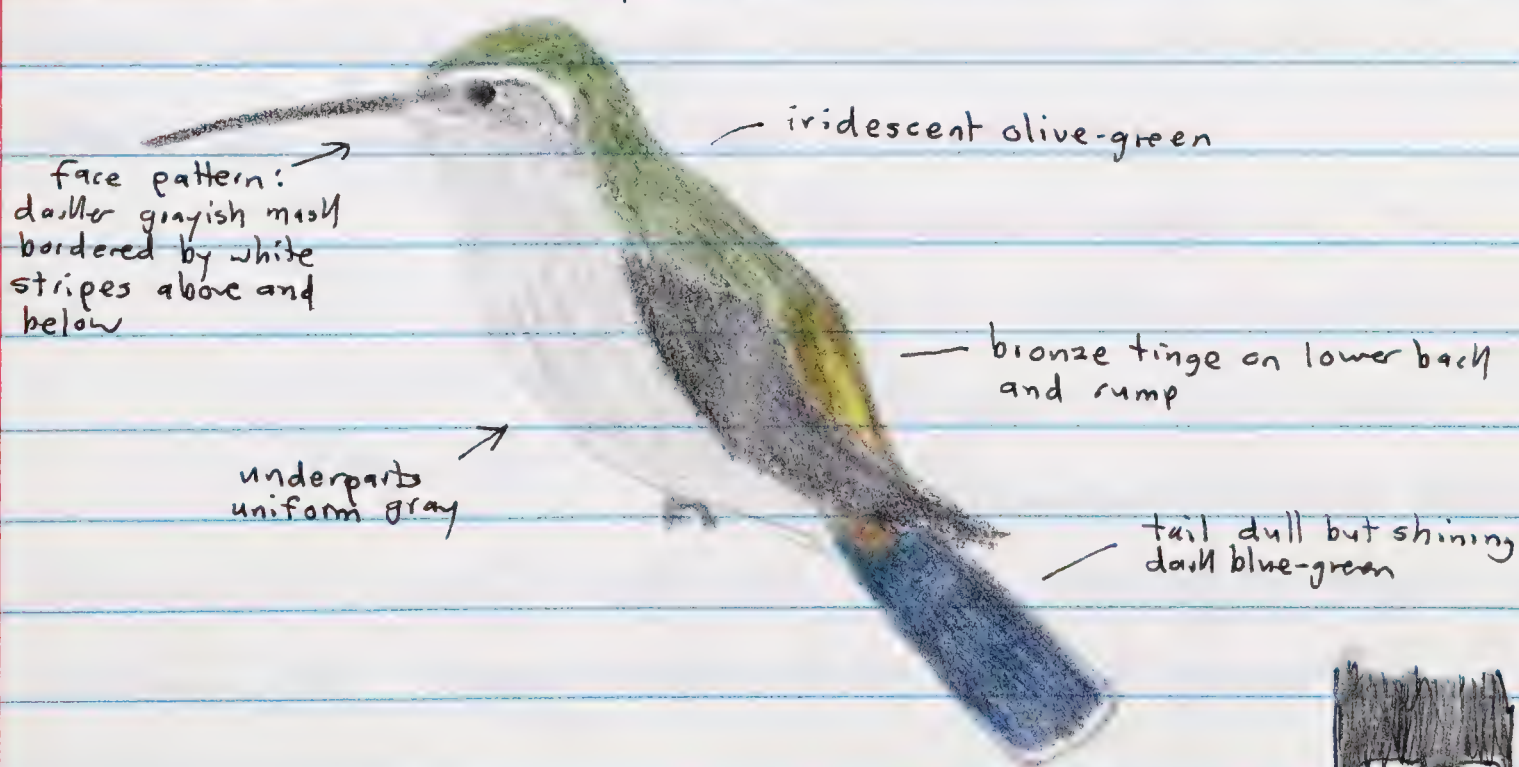


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1978

Blue-throated Hummingbird

Lampornis clemenciae

Jan. 19 Three Rivers, Tulare Co. Calif.: 1 ♀ at a feeder on Heidi Rd where it has been present since Christmas. We saw the bird as soon as we arrived and saw it 20+ times in the hour we were there. Description: upper-parts shining green, becoming bronzy on lower back and rump; wings blackish; face dull grayish with very well-defined white superciliary arching downwards posterior to the eye and another white streak below the eye from near the bill to below the eye - this lower streak was not as broad and in between the two stripes, the face was a dusky, dull grayish conspicuous; the underparts seemed a very uniform gray; vent area white, surrounded by greenish gray; upperside of tail shining dark blue-green, hue changing according to angle of light; the outer tail feathers were conspicuously tipped white; when perched, all of the tail feathers visible from the upperside were narrowly tipped white; the underside



of the tail was mostly white with a dark base →

The bill was blackish. The overall size was much,

much larger than any hummer normally occurring in California;





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1978

## Blue-throated Hummingbird

Lampornis clemenciae

### Three Rivers [cont]

Jan. 19

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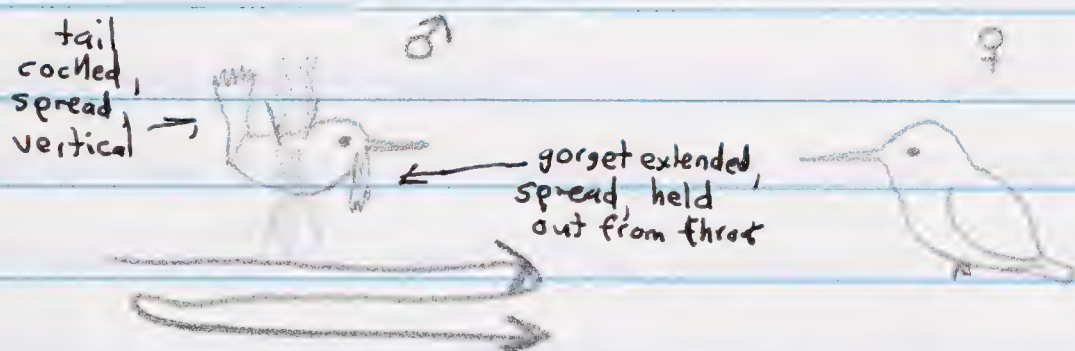
it seemed to be nearly twice the length of a nearby Anna's Hummingbird and at least as long as a nearby Oregon Junco. In flight the tail seemed proportionally longer than that of other hummers in Calif. The rapid opening and closing of the tail feathers highlighted the white tail tips on the outer tail feathers. The call note, heard about every 10 minutes, was a series of very high-pitched "peeek!" 's, a whistle with a slight upward inflection, usually 2-4 given in a series with intervals of about 1 second. Also given was a lower-pitched "phew!" whistle when chasing other birds from the feeder. It chased all other birds from the hummingbird feeder, including a sapsucker and a Nuttall's Woodpecker. The ♀ Rivoli's Hummingbird is the only other species with which the Blue-throated could be confused; Rivoli's has a green tail (less extensively spotted), lacks the pair of white facial stripes, and is not an even gray underneath.



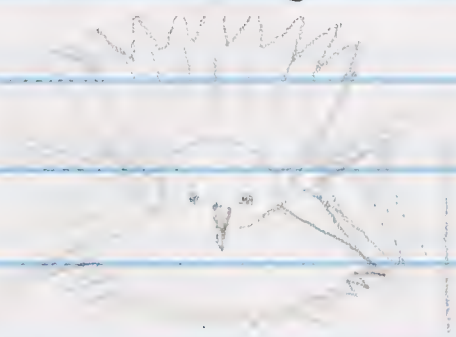
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1978

Allen's Hummingbird  
Selasphorus sasin

Mar. 18 Pt. Reyes, Marin Co., Calif.: A male was watched displaying directly to a female in some open undergrowth adjacent to the stream next to the Pt. Reyes hdqts. area. The male had given one complete pendulum display and then flew to within a foot of a female (which we had not seen) carrying some white fluff. The female retreated a foot or so and the male began darting back and forth at her with tail cocked and spread and gorget extended:



The hovering ♂ zigzagged back and forth in front of the female, moving directly at her and then back, then at her again, etc., all in rapid succession. Presumably the female's view would look something like this:



The male is maximizing the area of rufous exposed to the female — the tail spread display reminiscent of Sage Grouse.

Perhaps the moving back and forth in front of the female maximizes the flashing effect of the iridescent gorget.





Remsen,  
J.V.  
1978

Blue Jay  
Cyanocitta cristata

Feb. 25 Arcata, Humboldt Co., Calif.: 1 was seen in the Fieldbrook area near Arcata where it has been present for weeks. We watched it for 10 minutes sitting in a tree and coming once to a backyard feeder. We saw it from as close as 50 feet in good sunlight. It was obviously a Jay, seemingly smaller than Steller's. It was crested, but much less obviously than Steller's. The crown was blue, as was the nape, back, wings, and tail; the deepest blue was in the primaries and the dingiest was on the back; the face was white with a black post-ocular line; a conspicuous black collar separated the head from the body; the underparts were a dingy whitish. The wings had conspicuous white areas (details of placement not noted) and the outer tail feathers were white as were the tips of the rest of the tail feathers. Both the wings and tail were conspicuously banded black. The bird was silent the entire time we were there, although it had given typical Blue Jay calls just prior to our arrival according to P. Lehman.





Remsen,  
J.V.  
1978

Mountain Chickadee

Parus gambeli

June 2 Point Reyes, Marin Co., Calif. : 1 at the Fish Docks where A had been since at least yesterday. This would be an extremely good record for Marin Co., at any time of year, but early June is particularly bizarre in that this should be the middle of the breeding season for Mtn Chickadee, not a period of movement. There was a Winter Wren at the same spot — also a rather northern spp. out of place at this time of year (presumably the Marin Co. breeding population is sedentary).

The bird was recognized by its husky, hoarse, "che-de-day" before it was seen. The underparts were all whitish with the throat backish; the back and wings were gray; the crown was black as was a black ~~post~~ eyeline setting off a white eyebrow. On three occasions, the bird flew out away from the trees heading west, but each time returned to the trees after successively longer flights, the last at least  $\frac{1}{4}$  mile.





Remsen,  
J.V.  
1978

Red-breasted Nuthatch

Sitta canadensis

Dec. 16 Cameron area, Cameron Par. Louisiana: 2 in orchard  
e. side Cameron — one of the only records ever for  
Sabine NWR CBC

Dec. 17 St. Mary's Parish, Louis: 1





Remsen,  
J.V.  
1978

Mountain Bluebird  
Sialia currucoides

Cameron Parish, Louisiana

Oct. 28 1 near Holly Beach - probably an imm. ♂. Similar in size and shape to Western Bluebird but ~~slk~~ sleeker, slimmer, longer wings + ~~long~~ shorter tail. Plumage description: wings and tail striking sky blue; crown blue but paler than wings and tail; nape and upper back grayish; face blueish contrasting with grayish throat and breast; flanks and undertail coverts very white, striking at a distance; uppertail coverts and rump very blue contrasting strongly with pale grayish flanks and undertail coverts. We watched the bird for 15+ minutes in good light at 100 yds. through telescope as it sallied to the ground from wooden fence posts bordering a power-station. It occasionally hovered briefly over the ground before dipping to the ground. Unlike any plumage of either Eastern or Western Bluebird, there was absolutely no trace of any rusty or brown tones. The hue of blue was paler, more towards turquoise than either Eastern or Western.





Remsen,  
J.V.  
1978

Northern Mockingbird

Mimus polyglottos

June 2 Pt. Reyes, Marin Co., Calif. : 1 singing at Lighthouse — very unusual at Pt. Reyes. Imitated Stellar's Jay, Scrub Jay, Rufous-sided Towhee.





Remsen,  
J.V.  
1978

Brown Thrasher  
Toxostoma rufa

Dec. 31 Pueblo to Rocky Ford, Colo : 1 at Rocky Ford Wildlife Area.





Remsen,  
J.V.  
1978

White-eyed Vireo  
Vireo griseus

May 19 Point Reyes, Marin Co, Calif.: I seen in the exact same row of trees at Mendoza Ranch as the bird last year in early June. It had been found yesterday by the Ghiorso's (Al + Wilma), but because Don Roberson thought their description wasn't good [iris dark, body size too large but they saw yellow spectacles, 2 white wing bars, <sup>white</sup> throat yellowish breast and flanks, white center to belly, etc.], the bird was "poo-pooed". When we found out about it this afternoon after someone else saw the bird again today and saw that the iris was white, we rushed out to try to find it. Once we located it, we saw it off and on for a half-hour or so with lengthy observations of the underparts of the bird but poor looks at the upperparts, reminiscent of last year's bird.

The most conspicuous mark on the bird was the bright, green-yellow "spectacle" - a bar extending across the forehead to the loreal area on either side. There appeared to be a thin pale-eyering but it was hard to see, especially since the iris was also pale [strikingly so in bright light on outer edge of trees, hard to see inside the dark canopy [dark pupil enlarges<sup>??</sup>]]. The rest of the face was pale grayish. The throat was grayish-white, contrasting strongly with the yellowish wash across the breast and bright yellow sides and flanks. The center of the lower breast through the belly to at least as far back as between the legs was whitish. The bill was moderately large for the body size and was definitely hooked and all blackish. We saw little of the upperparts except that there were 2 strong



Remsen,  
J.V.  
1918

White-eyed Vireo  
Vireo griseus

Pt. Reyes [cont]

May 19

white wingbars on darker wings and grayish on the back, at least at the neck region [I know the back is supposed to be greenish, but I couldn't see this on last year's bird under similar, poor observation and shape conditions]. The overall size of the bird was about that of Hutton's Vireo. — small, chunky, and round-headed with large, hooked bill.

I know of no other bird in western hemisphere with a conspicuous yellow forehead, 2 white wingbars, whitish throat, yellow breast+sides+flanks, and white center of belly



Remsen,  
J.V.  
1978

Black-and-white Warbler

Mniotilta varia

June 2 Pt. Reyes, Marin Co., Calif : 2 (1 ♀ at Fish Docks + 1 <sup>singing</sup> im. ♂  
at Lighthouse and then the same bird at Nunes Ranch - the  
im. ♂ had an incomplete black throat and was not at Nunes early  
and then present later when it was no longer being seen at Lighthouse)





Remsen,  
J.V.  
1978

Worm-eating Warbler  
Helmitheros vermivorus

July 17 Tilden Park, Contra Costa Co., Calif.: 1 seen in dense willow-dogwood thickets about 200 yds. s. of Jewel Lake opposite Nature Center where found on July 11 by Phil Gordon. Today, Linda Hale saw it at about 1030 about 20-30 yds into the thicket from the road at a spot where it had been seen most often the last three days; she came out to get me, and meanwhile Nancy Conzett, after being there for only 5 minutes, had the bird at close range in the same area at ~1045. Then we went back into the thickets and at about 1115, I heard a warbler chip note, about 20 yds. N. of the spot where Linda had seen it, which sounded like a weak or soft Yellow Warbler note, and glimpsed the bird low in the undergrowth. After 10 minutes or so, the Worm-eating Warbler came into view, and we watched it intermittently for about 20 seconds at about 30 ft. Then we lost it, but it re-appeared a few minutes later, higher in the foliage, and we saw it again for about 10 seconds in fairly bright light.

This warbler was very long-billed and short-tailed relative to other warblers. The wings and back were a dull brown without streaks or wingbars. The head was conspicuously marked - <sup>a</sup> blackish streak <sup>each</sup> through <sup>one</sup> eye and <sup>either</sup> along <sup>a</sup> side of crown - thus the center of the crown had a broad, pale streak bordered on either side by a well-defined blackish streak. The underparts appeared to be a pale buffy, looking almost dull golden yellow when in the sunny foliage.





Remsen,  
J.V.  
1978

Northern Parula  
Parula americana

May 19 Point Reyes, Marin Co., Calif. : 1 ♂ (full breeding plumage)  
at Mendoza Ranch. — blueish upperparts (couldn't see  
back due to poor viewing conditions), 2 white wingbars,  
broken white eye-ring, yellow lower mandible, yellow throat  
bordered by blue + reddish chest band, white belly, small  
size, short tail.





Remsen,  
J.V.  
1979

Tennessee Warbler  
Vermivora peregrina

Jan. 5 Monterey area, Monterey Co., Calif.: 1 in Greenwood Park  
where present 1<sup>+</sup> week. Bright green back, most of underparts  
including undertail coverts white - some yellowish on throat;  
eyeline very conspicuous

June 2 Pt. Reyes, Marin Co., Calif.: 2 at Lighthouse (obviously different  
plumages - 1 with typical breed. plum, 1 with considerable yellow on  
chest) + 1 at willows N. of Fish Docks (breed. plum.).





Remsen,  
J.V.  
1978

Lucy's Warbler  
Vermivora luciae

Apr. 29 North End Salton Sea, Riverside Co., Calif. : 1 in mesquite  
thicket along Lincoln Av. K. Garnett saw that the bird  
was carrying food.





Remsen,  
J.V.  
1978

Black-throated Blue Warbler  
Dendroica caerulescens

Oct. 29 Gum Cove, Cameron Parish, Louisiana: 2 ♂♂ - full ♂  
plumage - both studied for 5-10+ minutes each.





Remsen,  
J.V.  
1978

Hermit Warbler  
Dendroica occidentalis

Jan. 21 Pt. Reyes, Marin Co., Calif.: 2 Pt. Reyes Hdqts. - 1 ad. ♂  
in full "breeding" plumage, 1 im. ♂ with dusky throat (not  
solid black) and head not completely yellow





Remsen,  
J.V.  
1978

Bay-breasted Warbler  
Dendroica castanea

June 2 Pt. Reyes, Marin Co., Calif.: 1 ♂ at Lighthouse (where present since at least yesterday). The flanks weren't as dark bay as the breast and crown and weren't solidly-colored - probably a first-yr bird. All field marks seen well at close range as the bird foraged in bushes at eye-level in good light.





Remsen,  
J.V.  
1978

American Redstart  
Setophaga ruticilla

June 2 Et. Reyes, Marin Co., Calif. : 1 ♀ - Nunes Ranch





Remsen,  
J.V.  
1978

Common Grackle  
Quiscalus quiscula

Dec 2 Wet Mountain Valley, Custer Co., Colo: 1 in the town of Westcliffe. Rare in mountains at any time of year. - unheard of in winter. Good study, close range. Identified as a grackle by call before seen. Size and tail shape seemed to indicate ♀. Larger than Red-winged Blackbird; glossy purple-blue head contrasting with bronzy-olive-blackish body; heavy, curved billed; iris dark





Remsen,  
J.V.  
1978

Great-tailed Grackle  
Cassidix mexicanus

June 18 Palace of Fine Arts, San Francisco, San Francisco Co., Calif.: 1 ♂  
on the island in the north end of the lagoon and  
adjacent "mainland" shoreline where it had been found  
earlier in the day for the first record for northern California.  
The bird spent most of the time hidden from view in the  
foliage of the trees on the island, occasionally giving loud  
whistled notes which sounded similar to those <sup>I'd heard</sup> given by this  
species at Imperial Dam, Furnace Creek Ranch, Ramon Lake, etc. —  
an explosive, rising whistle, sometimes followed by a similar,  
higher-pitched whistle. Twice I heard it give a burst of 4  
quick, inflected, rising whistles. I have never heard Common  
Grackle give these calls, and I grew up with the bird in  
Colorado.

We watched the bird perched in the open at about  
100 feet for 5-10 minutes. Most of the upperparts ~~were~~ <sup>and</sup>  
underparts were an iridescent blackish with blue tones  
around the head; the wingcoverts were dark brown and looked  
<sup>The primaries looked dull blackish.</sup>  
worn. The iris was gleaming white. The tail was long  
and vaulted in flight. The bill was long, blackish,  
slightly decurved, and hooked; it seemed longer and thinner  
proportionally than Common Grackle. The body size was 2-3 x  
as long as a Brewer's Blackbird, much too large for Common  
Grackle. This bird lacked the bronzy-greenish and violet  
iridescence which is conspicuous on Common Grackle. Boat-tailed  
Grackle has a dark iris and would be highly unlikely to even  
occur in California.





Remsen,  
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Yellow-headed Blackbird  
Xanthocephalus xanthocephalus

Jan. 5 Moss Landing, Monterey Co., Calif. : 1 ad. ♂ in fields next  
to Zmudowski St. Beach. - very rare on coast.





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J.V.  
1978

Bullock's Oriole  
Icterus bullockii

Nov. 24 Cameron Parish, Louisiana : 1 ad. ♂ in "Smith's Woods"  
nr Johnson's Bayou - watched for 10 minutes as it  
sat motionless in trees 20 ft. up, 30 ft. away. Orange  
eyebrow, black eyeline, extensively white shoulders, orange  
face all seen clearly; no visible traces of hybridization.  
The black of the back was somewhat scalloped with paler  
color, indicating some degree of immaturity (?).





Remsen,  
J.V.  
1978

Grasshopper Sparrow  
Ammodramus savannarum

Dec. 16 Cameron area, Cameron Par., Louisiana : 2 in field e.  
side Cameron . Rare in winter.





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J.V.  
1978

Harris' Sparrow  
Zonotrichia querula

Dec. 16 Cameron area, Cameron Par., Louis : 1 - E. Jetty Woods -  
great views. Very rare on coast

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